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RESOLUTION NO. RES-15-0074

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF THE JAMES
ZADROGA 9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION
REAUTHORIZATION ACT

WHEREAS, the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center created a
toxic and hazardous environment for rescue and recovery workers and other workers and
residents in lower Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, responders and survivors inhaled a toxic cocktail of chemicals
and particulates over a period of days and weeks, leading to injury and illness in more
than 30,000 responders and survivors; and

WHEREAS, health conditions range across respiratory illness, gastro-
esophageal conditions, cancers, and psychological disorders; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Congress passed the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and
Compensation Act ("The Act"); and

WHEREAS, The Act established the World Trade Center Health Program to
provide medical monitoring and treatment for 9/11-related health conditions; and

WHEREAS, the law also reopened the September 11th Victim
Compensation Fund to compensate responders and survivors for economic damages
and losses due to illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the Programs are currently set to expire in 2015 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, because it is evident that the victims remain in need of the
services, the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Reauthorization Act was
introduced on April 14, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Act would reauthorize the Program and allow responders
and survivors to utilize necessary services and funds to continue to receive long term

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1 treatment that they deserve for the numerous illnesses and conditions that are plaguing
2 them;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
4 follows:

5 Section 1. This City Council hereby declares its support of the James
6 Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Reauthorization Act.

7 Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
8 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

9 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
10 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of June 16, 2015

11 by the following vote:

12 Ayes: Councilmembers: Gonzalez, Lowenthal, Price, Supernaw,
13 Andrews, Uranga, Austin.

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16 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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18 Absent: Councilmembers: Mungo, Richardson.

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20 Patricia Davis
21 City Clerk
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