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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution of the City Council of the City of Long Beach in Support of the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Reauthorization Act.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to your request of May 19, 2015, this office has prepared and submits the above-described resolution for your consideration.

By

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney

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1 **RESOLUTION NO.** 2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE 3 CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF THE JAMES 4 9/11 COMPENSATION 5 ZADROGA HEALTH AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT 6 7 8 Whereas, the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center created a 9 toxic and hazardous environment for rescue and recovery workers and other workers and 10 residents in lower Manhattan; and 11 Whereas, responders and survivors inhaled a toxic cocktail of chemicals 12 and particulates over a period of days and weeks, leading to injury and illness in more 13 than 30,000 responders and survivors; and 14 Whereas, health conditions range across respiratory illness, gastro-15 esophageal conditions, cancers, and psychological disorders; and 16 Whereas, in 2010, Congress passed the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act ("The Act"); and 17 18 Whereas, The Act established the World Trade Center Health Program to 19 provide medical monitoring and treatment for 9/11-related health conditions; and 20 WHEREAS, the law also reopened the September 11th Victim 21 Compensation Fund to compensate responders and survivors for economic damages 22 and losses due to illness or injury; and 23 WHEREAS, the Programs are currently set to expire in 2015 and 2016; and 24 WHEREAS, because it is evident that the victims remain in need of the 25 services, the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Reauthorization Act was 26 introduced on April 14, 2015; and 27 WHEREAS, The Act would reauthorize the Program and allow responders 28 and survivors to utilize necessary services and funds to continue to receive long term 1

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	Sec	tion 1. This City Cou	incil 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, 2015			
11	by the following vote:			
12	Ayes:	Councilmembers:		
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16	Noes:	Councilmembers:		
17	Absent:	Councilmembers:		
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