

RESOLUTION NO. C-28470

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF THE
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BOND ACT, PROPOSITION 61

WHEREAS, California Children's Hospitals treat children with the most serious and deadly diseases like leukemia, cancer, heart defects, sickle cell anemia, diabetes, and cystic fibrosis; and

WHEREAS, over one million times last year, children facing life-threatening illness or injury were cared for at regional Children's Hospitals without regard to a family's income or ability to pay. Children are referred to these pediatric centers of excellence for treatment by other hospitals in California; and

WHEREAS, Children's Hospitals save hundreds of children's lives every day. Many children are cured, others have their young lives extended for many years, and all have the quality of their lives improved; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 61, the Children's Hospital Bond Act, will help make room in these wonderful hospitals to treat the children who need care; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 61, the Children's Hospital Bond Act would authorize \$750 million dollars to improve and expand California's Children's Hospitals and to purchase new equipment for the treatment of the state's seriously injured and ill children. Proposition 61 will not raise taxes. The \$750 million will be raised through obligation bonds to be repaid from the state's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, if Proposition 61 is passed, Long Beach Miller Children's Hospital will receive \$74 million dollars, slightly less than ten percent of the total bond. Said sum will go a long way in helping to finance the proposed \$120 million facilities at Miller Children's Hospital which will include the construction of a two-building pavilion with inpatient and outpatient services, as well as renovating existing space to create a

1 comprehensive integrated facility that meets current earthquake standards.

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

4 Section 1. That the City Council hereby endorses the passage of
5 Proposition 61, The Children's Hospital Bond Act.

6 Sec. 2. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to
7 the Governor of the State of California, the members of the California Legislature
8 representing the Long Beach area, and other officials, agencies, entities, and
9 individuals as may be deemed appropriate.

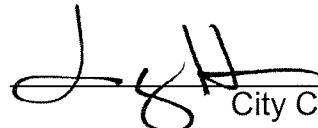
10 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by
11 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

12 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
13 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of October 19, 2004, by
14 the following vote:

15 Ayes: Councilmembers: Colonna, O'Donnell, Kell,
16 Richardson, Reyes Uranga,
17 Gabelich, Lerch.

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19 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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21 Absent: Councilmembers: Lowenthal, Baker.

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25 City Clerk