

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH IN
OPPOSITION TO CUTS TO HOME HEALTH SERVICES PROPOSED
FOR THE 2005-2006 STATE BUDGET**

Whereas, there are thousands of persons in the Long Beach area and the State of California that depend on in-home support services;

Whereas the California In-Home Supportive Service (IHSS) program was create by Governor Ronald Regan in 1973 to enable seniors and people living with mental and physical disabilities to live independently in the community in their homes;

Whereas, approximately 335,000 seniors and people with disabilities rely on care through the IHSS program;

Whereas approximately 332,000 home care workers provide home care services thorough the IHSS program;

Whereas, lowering state funding for home care worker wages to the minimum wage and eliminating funding for benefits will increase the already high turnover rate among home care workers;

Whereas, seniors and people with disabilities who can not find home care workers are more likely to be forced into nursing homes which can cost state tax payers up to seven times more than in-home care;

Now, therefore, the City Council of Long Beach resolves to oppose the proposed cuts to Home Care Services.