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March 3, 2009

Honorable Antonio Villaraigosa, Mayor Chief Legislative Analyst

I HEREBY CERTIFY that City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under

Council file No. <u>08-0002-S60</u>, at its meeting held <u>February 20, 2009</u>.

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TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GANG VIOLENCE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

report as follows:

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GANG VIOLENCE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT REPORT relative to the City's position on the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth Promise Act).

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Smith for Parks – Cardenas), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2009-10 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT of HR 1064 (Scott): Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth Promise Act), which would provide funding for evidence-based and promising practices related to juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention to help build individual, family, and community strength and resiliency to ensure that youth lead productive, safe, healthy, gang-free, and lawabiding lives.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst. The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Rules and Government Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

SUMMARY

Resolution (Parks - Cardenas) states that evidence-based practices related to juvenile delinquency and gang prevention and intervention are needed to help communities plagued by gangs. In a report dated August 1, 2008, the Chief Legislative Analyst notes that the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth Promise Act) would provide federal funding to cities to help support local gang prevention and intervention efforts. The Youth Promise Act would permit communities to establish local councils charged with developing targeted strategies for dealing with their gang issues. Resolution (Parks - Cardenas) recommends that the City support the Youth Promise Act.

At a special meeting held on February 19, 2009, the Ad Hoc Committee on Gang Violence and Youth Development considered the City's position on the Youth Promise Act. United States Congressman Robert "Bobby" Scott, the author of the legislation, and various community groups provided testimony on the matter. An opportunity for public comment was provided. After the discussion, the Committee moved to approve the Resolution. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GANG VIOLENCE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

MEMBER CARDENAS: WESSON: VOTE YES ABSENT YES ABSENT HAHN: HUIZAR: REYES:

YES

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

RESOLUTION

Submitted in Committee 2/19/2009 CF 08-0002-560 From CLA

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies to or pending before a local, state or federal government body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to ensuring that youth lead productive, safe, healthy, gang-free and law-abiding lives; and

WHEREAS, evidence-based and promising practices related to juvenile delinquency and criminal street crime activity prevention and intervention is needed to help build individual, family, and community strength and resiliency in youth; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 1064, the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth PROMISE Act), introduced by Congressman Robert "Bobby" Scott on February 13, 2009, which would amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 and the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Youth PROMISE Act establishes a PROMISE Advisory Panel to assist the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in:

- Assessing and developing standards and evidence-based practices to prevent juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity;
- Collecting data in designated geographic areas to assess the needs and existing resources for juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention; and

WHEREAS, the Youth PROMISE Act authorizes awarding grants to local governments to:

- Plan, assess, and implement PROMISE plans and programs for juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention, especially for at-risk youth, in local communities:
- Hire and train law enforcement officers as youth-oriented police to work with local PROMISE Coordinating Councils, other community-based organizations, and high-risk youths;
- Extend and increase funding for juvenile accountability block grants through Fiscal Year 2013;
- Create and expand state, local, and tribal juvenile witness and victim protection programs; and

WHEREAS, the City should support HR 3846 because it could provide additional resources to support the City's gang prevention and intervention efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby includes in its 2009-10 Federal Legislative Program support of HR 1064 (Scott): Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (Youth PROMISE Act), which would provide funding for evidence-based and promising practices related to juvenile delinquency and criminal street gang activity prevention and intervention to help build individual, family, and community strength and resiliency to ensure that youth lead productive, safe, healthy, gang-free, and law-abiding lives. I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING

RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AT ITS MEETING OF FFB 2 0 2009 BY A MAJORITY OF ALL ITS MEMBERS.

KAREN E. KALFAYAN