

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

WHEREAS, regardless of nation of origin, Hispanics share common experiences and a common bond in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Latino community is vital to American life, art, culture and industry; and

WHEREAS, efforts are underway to establish a national museum to highlight the successes of the Latino community, the largest demographic minority population in the United States; and

WHEREAS, introduced in January 2007 and February 2007, respectively, H.R. 512 (Becerra) and S. 500 (Salazar) would establish a Commission to study the potential creation of a National Museum of the American Latino; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 512 and S. 500 would require the Commission to report on a plan of action for establishing and maintaining the museum, and engaging the American Latino community in the development and design of the Museum; and

WHEREAS, these bills would require the Commission to develop a fund-raising plan for supporting the creation and maintenance of the Museum through contributions by the American people, and a separate plan on fund-raising by the American Latino community; and

WHEREAS, the City should express its support for H.R. 512 and S. 500 inasmuch as the creation of a National Museum of the American Latino is a distinguished way to honor Latinos and their contributions to our culture and society;

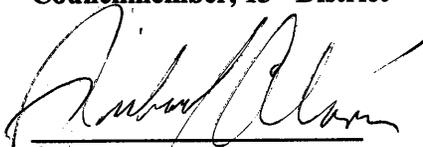
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2007-2008 Legislative Program, SUPPORT for H.R. 512 (Becerra) and S. 500 (Salazar) which would establish a Commission to study the potential creation of a National Museum of the American Latino.

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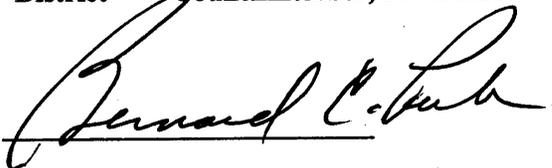
  
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