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RESOLUTION

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**WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2006, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 178,008 imposing interim regulations to temporarily prohibit the issuance of building and demolition permits in a portion of the Wilshire Community Plan Area within the Proposed Wilshire Park Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) bounded by Wilshire Boulevard to the north, except those lots designated as CR(PkM)-1, but including 658 and 667 S. Bronson Avenue, Olympic Boulevard to the south, except the commercially zoned lots, Wilton to the east, and both sides of Bronson Avenue on the west; and

**WHEREAS**, a motion was adopted instructing the Planning Department to initiate proceedings to establish a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) in accordance with Section 12.20.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, which permits the creation of an HPOZ in any area of the City that contains structures, natural features, or sites having historic, architectural, cultural or aesthetic significance; and

**WHEREAS**, neighborhood residents have worked with the Planning Department to produce a Historic Resources Survey for Wilshire Park and that Survey is currently being reviewed for accuracy and completeness by a historic consultant who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed ordinance is consistent with the goals and objectives of the General Plan's conservation, land use and housing elements to protect important historic resources and conserve the character of existing neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the expiration of the Wilshire Park Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) may encourage owners and developers to obtain a greater number of building and demolition permits prior to the adoption of the HPOZ, effectively accelerating the destruction of historically and architecturally significant structures and the neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilshire Park Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) is needed to prevent the demolition and re-development of these historically important resources in Wilshire Park until a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone or other appropriate land use regulatory controls can be adopted.

**WHEREAS**, the ordinance permits the City Council by resolution to extend the Wilshire Park Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) for an additional six month period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilshire Park Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) will expire on May 8, 2008 unless the six month extension is approved;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City Council hereby extends the provisions of Ordinance No. 178,008 imposing temporary interim regulations on the issuance of building permits or change of use permits for uses as described above within that portion of both the Wilshire Community Plan Area as described above for a 180 day period ending on November 5, 2008 or upon adoption of permanent regulations inasmuch as the City Planning Department is actively working to assure that a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone is being expeditiously processed.

PRESENTED BY:



HERB J. WESSON, JR.  
Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY:



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