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MOTION

The Department of Transportation is on schedule to fully complete the transition from old parking meters to new parking meter technology by the end of December 2012. Additionally, the Department will be recommending that the Council approve the removal of 1,140 underutilized onstreet parking meters (C.F. #12-1768). Many other cities across the country have implemented a program to reuse old parking meters as "homeless donation meters" to curb aggressive panhandling. Instead of giving change to a panhandler on the street, a person can donate their change into these meters, which then goes directly to affiliated missions and homeless care and prevention programs. Media reports state that Denver's donation meter program raises \$100,000 annually through 36 meters placed strategically around Downtown Denver.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation to implement a program to reuse old parking meters as "homeless donation meters" in Downtown Los Angeles.

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