

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Writers Guild of America West (WGAW) and the Writers Guild of America East (WGAE) (jointly WGA), which collectively represent over 11,500 writers in film and television across the country, are currently without a contract and on strike; and

WHEREAS, the WGA's reasonable demands to the major media companies that employ their members - including Disney, NBC Universal, Paramount, Netflix, Apple and Amazon - have not been met; and

WHEREAS, writers are facing the most comprehensive assault on their compensation and working conditions in a generation. Media companies have taken advantage of the industry's transition to global streaming to underpay workers. As a result, writers are doing more work for less pay and with less job security; and

WHEREAS, this erosion of writer pay and working conditions has happened while their employers collected almost \$30 billion in entertainment operating profits each year from 2017 to 2021; and

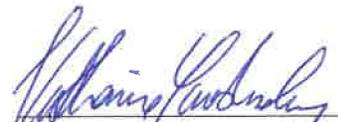
WHEREAS, without writers, the entertainment industry would not have stories to tell; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles is the entertainment capital of the world, and has a vested interest in the sustainability of that industry's workforce; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council urges the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers to come to the bargaining table and reach a fair deal with the workers of the WGA.

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