

RESOLUTION

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 have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Trump Administration’s aggressive immigration policies have created fear and uncertainty for many immigrant families, particularly in safe spaces such as schools; and

WHEREAS, in January 2025, the Trump administration rescinded a policy established by the Biden administration that protected “sensitive locations,” which are primarily hospitals, places of worship, courthouses, and schools, from immigration enforcement; and

WHEREAS, currently pending in the State legislature, Senate Bill 48, the *Safe Access to Schools Act* (Gonzalez), would prohibit school districts, county offices of education, or charter schools and their personnel, from granting immigration authorities access to nonpublic areas of a school site, question students, or conduct a search, unless presented with a valid judicial warrant or court order; and

WHEREAS, under SB 48, if an immigration authority *does* present a valid judicial warrant or court order, the bill would require that the local educational agency staff request valid identification, a written statement of purpose, retain copies of the documents, and notify the designated school administrator before granting access to immigration authorities; and

WHEREAS, however, when an immigration authority *does not* present a judicial warrant or court order, the bill would require the local educational agency staff to notify the school administrator, deny access to immigration authorities, and make a reasonable effort to document and witness the denial; and

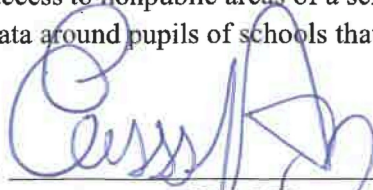
WHEREAS, SB 48 would also prohibit the local educational agency staff from disclosing, either verbally or in writing, any education records or information about a student, their family, or any school employee to an immigration authority without a valid judicial warrant or court order; and

WHEREAS, the bill further requires the California Attorney General to issue model policies to assist K–12 schools to implement these protections, and requires reimbursements for school districts for any state-mandated costs, where possible; and

WHEREAS, SB 48 will help safeguard students, parents, educators, and school staff from family separation and intimidation from immigration authorities to ensure schools can remain trusted, protected spaces for learning and community support; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-26 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for Senate Bill 48 (Gonzalez) to amend the Education Code to disallow access to nonpublic areas of a school site to federal immigration enforcement agents, and ensure the protection of data around pupils of schools that federal immigration enforcement agents request access.

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