

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 with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the aerospace industry has long played an important role in the economy of the Los Angeles region, especially in the San Fernando Valley; and although its presence is diminished from its heyday, local companies and production facilities still play an important role including in space exploration and defense programs; and.

WHEREAS, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA's) Artemis campaign is planned to explore the Moon for scientific discovery, technology advancement, and to establish the first long-term presence on the Moon; including the first manned moon landings since the Apollo 17 mission in 1972; and

WHEREAS, the RS-25 engines that will power the rockets for the Artemis program are manufactured and modernized at L3Harris Technologies' Aerojet Rocketdyne site in Canoga Park; and


WHEREAS, the Trump Administration's proposed FY26 federal budget would cut NASA funding by nearly 25% and would jeopardize the Artemis program, proposing shifts to commercial technologies and systems that are still unproven; and

WHEREAS, the federal government should continue to invest in space exploration and other scientific endeavors, not only to advance our knowledge and understanding of the universe but also to maintain a technological edge that is important for our national security;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-26 Federal Legislative Program OPPOSITION to proposed cuts in the budget for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, including those that threaten the Artemis program.

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