

RESOLUTION RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health reports that an estimated 56 percent of renters own pets; and

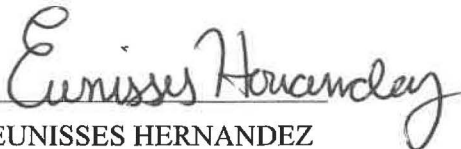
WHEREAS, according to a 2021 study by the Pet Inclusive Housing Initiative, 72 percent of renters who own pets report that pet friendly housing is hard to find; and


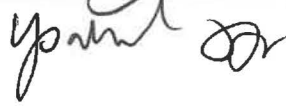
WHEREAS, vague or misleading pet policies can impose additional barriers in a challenging rental market, particularly for low-income tenants, who may already struggle when searching for an affordable place to live; and

WHEREAS, a renter seeking a tenancy should have clear information on a landlord's pet policy in order to be able to make an informed decision when submitting applications to potential residences; and

WHEREAS, the City should support SB 1296 (Durazo) which would require a landlord who allows an animal on the premises to include their pet policy in specified locations, including advertisements and rental application forms; require prescribed information be included in the pet policy, including any breed and weight restrictions; require a prospective tenant to acknowledge receipt of the pet policy; and require any landlord who fails to disclose their pet policy to refund application fees to the applicant

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-2026 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 1296 (Durazo), which would require a landlord who allows an animal on the premises, or prohibits pets, to include their pet policy in specified locations, including advertisements and rental application forms; require prescribed information be included in the pet policy, including any breed and weight restrictions; require a prospective tenant to acknowledge receipt of the pet policy; and require any landlord who fails to disclose their pet policy to refund application fees to the applicant.

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