

RESOLUTION NO. 17-5328

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING MEASURE H - THE “LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLAN TO PREVENT AND COMBAT HOMELESSNESS” BALLOT MEASURE

WHEREAS, the homeless population in Los Angeles County is over 47,000 and the growing homeless crisis is disrupting nearly every community in the County;

WHEREAS, over 4,000 children are homeless and one in three of the homeless in the County are women who are especially vulnerable to assault; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to place Measure H on the March 7, 2017, with the support of health and mental health service providers, business leaders, paramedics, firefighters, religious and neighborhood leaders because it will provide essential treatment and services to get the homeless off the street; and

WHEREAS, if approved, Measure H would authorize the County to impose a one-quarter percent (0.25%) special transactions and use tax on the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all personal property in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the County (“Tax”); and

WHEREAS, it is estimated in the first five years the proceeds of Measure H would enable 45,000 families/individuals to exit homelessness into permanent housing and help an additional 30,000 families/individuals avoid homelessness, protect children, stabilize the homeless veterans population and help women get off the street; and

WHEREAS, proceeds from the Tax will be used to generate ongoing funding to prevent and combat homelessness within the County, including funding mental health, substance abuse treatment, health care, education, job training, rental and housing subsidies, case management and services, emergency and affordable housing, transportation, outreach, prevention, and supportive services for homeless children, families, foster youth, veterans, battered women, seniors, disabled individuals, and other homeless adults, consistent with the strategies developed through the Homeless Initiative adopted by the Board, and as otherwise directed by the Board to address the causes and effects of homelessness.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE
HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of La Puente recognizes the need to prevent and combat homelessness and does hereby declare its support for Measure H, the Los Angeles County Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness measure on the March 7, 2017, county-wide ballot.

SECTION 3. The provisions of this Resolution are severable and if any provision, clause, sentence, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity, unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, sections, words or parts thereof of the Resolution or their applicability to other persons or circumstances.

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and that the same shall be in full force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of February, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

Valerie Munoz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheryl Garcia, Chief Deputy City Clerk