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July 5, 2006

Honorable Antonio Villaraigosa, Mayor
Chief Legislative Analyst
Councilmember Garcetti
Councilmember Perry
Environmental Affairs Department

RE: CITY'S POSITION IN CONNECTION WITH THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES
BOARD'S PROPOSAL TO REGULATE FORMALDEHYDE EMISSIONS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached resolution (Garcetti - Perry) was
adopted by the Los Angeles City Council at its meeting held on June 20,
2006. The Mayor concurred with the Council action on June 30, 2006.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank T. Martinez".

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cc: 8 Certified copies sent to Sacramento Representatives

RESOLUTION #57
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

For Tues. 6/20/06
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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 concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has developed a proposal to regulate formaldehyde emissions from composite wood products; and

WHEREAS, the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and the World Health Organization have classified formaldehyde as a known carcinogen; and

WHEREAS, given these classifications and formaldehyde's asthmatic effects, there is sufficient reason to be concerned about 400 tons of emissions derived from composite wood products each year in the State; and

WHEREAS, there are new cost effective technologies for producing composite wood products that allow for the phasing out of formaldehyde in its production; and

WHEREAS, China, Japan, and various countries in Europe have all issued regulations to control formaldehyde associated with composite wood products; and

WHEREAS, without regulations, California is becoming a dumping ground for cheap, toxic products from overseas that can't be sold elsewhere and that increasingly threaten the State's population with bronchial injury and cancer; and

WHEREAS, given this circumstance, it is imperative that the City support CARB's proposal to regulate formaldehyde emissions from composite wood products and bring emissions to zero by 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2005-2006 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for the California Air Resources Board's proposal to regulate formaldehyde emissions from composite wood products, reducing emissions to zero by the year 2010.

Reso
ADOPTED
JUN 20 2006

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

JUN 16 2006

PRESENTED BY: 
ERIC GARCETTI,
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY: 

 **MAYOR WITH FILE**