



Los Angeles County
DEMOCRATIC PARTY

IN SUPPORT OF A “GREEN NEW DEAL” FOR LOS ANGELES

WHEREAS the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) “Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C” (SR15) calls for 40% to 60% greenhouse gas emission reductions from 2010 levels by 2030 and net-zero global emissions by 2050, reductions targets that Los Angeles, as a climate leader, must aim to exceed; and

WHEREAS we applaud the Los Angeles City Council’s April 16, 2019 call for a report outlining a plan for a “Green New Deal for Los Angeles” that “mirrors the principles and priorities of” H. Res. 109, the national Green New Deal (GND), which outlines a framework for a massive ten-year mobilization that achieves net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 while providing all people of the United States with high-quality health care, affordable housing, and union jobs that pay family-sustaining wages, and promotes justice and equity for frontline and vulnerable communities; and

WHEREAS the City’s current efforts do not include any timeline for net-zero greenhouse gas emissions nor any city-wide guarantee of healthcare, housing, jobs, or wages; and the City’s requested 100% Renewable Energy Study does not include proposals for achieving 100% clean renewable grid energy by 2030 and allows for the continued combustion of dirty fuels as well as unbundled renewable energy credits (RECs);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Los Angeles County Democratic Party urges the City of the Los Angeles, as well as other local communities, to develop “Green New Deal” mobilization plans that are consistent with the national GND’s timeline for reduction to net-zero greenhouse gas emissions, create union jobs with family-sustaining wages, ensure quality healthcare and affordable housing for all, prioritize the voices and needs of historically marginalized communities, ensure a transition to 100% clean renewable energy by 2050 without the use of biomass, biogas, nuclear generation or RECs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Democratic Party will send copies of this resolution to Mayor Eric Garcetti, each member of the Los Angeles City Council, and the LADWP.

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