

RESOLUTION NO. 6320

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING THE TAX FAIRNESS,
TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2018**

WHEREAS, California's cities, counties and special districts follow strict guidelines and existing state law regarding the establishment of reasonable fees and the required voter approval of all local taxes; and

WHEREAS, there is a signature-gathering campaign for a state ballot measure currently sponsored by the California Business Roundtable that would severely harm the ability of local governments to continue to provide quality services by imposing onerous roadblocks to raising local revenue to address community needs, services and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, it is important for local community members, in concert with their duly-elected officials—rather than a special interest group in Sacramento—to determine the services and funding levels appropriate for their own cities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ballot measure would allow businesses to escape from their existing obligations to pay the full cost of services that they request and receive from local agencies and benefit from; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ballot measure would then shift the burden of these uncovered costs from business interests to local general funds supported by taxpayers, and thereby reduce general funds available to support police, fire, park, planning, and other community services.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, AND RESOLVE, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of Gardena hereby opposes the Tax Fairness, Transparency, and Accountability Act of 2018 sponsored by the California Business Roundtable on the grounds that this measure would harm the ability of local communities to adequately fund services.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is hereby directed to email a copy of this adopted resolution to the League of California Cities at cityletters@cacities.org

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution; shall cause the same to be entered among the original Resolutions of said City; and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minute of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted.

Passed, approved, and adopted this 24th day of April, 2018.


TASHA CERDA, Mayor

ATTEST:


MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk

APPROVE AS TO FORM


PETER L. WALLIN, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF GARDENA)

I, **MINA SEMENZA**, City Clerk of the City of Gardena, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of said City is five; that the foregoing Resolution, being **Resolution No. 6320** duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City of Gardena, approved and signed by the Mayor of said City, and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the **24th** day of **April, 2018**, and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS MEDINA, AND HENDERSON,
 MAYOR PRO TEM TANAKA, COUNCIL MEMBER KASKANIAN,
 AND MAYOR CERDA

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

for Becky Romero
City Clerk of the City of Gardena, California

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