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1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-10-0120

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF THE FEDERAL
5 DREAM ACT

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7 WHEREAS, each year 65,000 undocumented students who have lived in
8 the United States for over five years, graduate from American high schools; and

9 WHEREAS, many of these students face overwhelming obstacles in
10 accessing and completing higher education due to their immigration status; and

11 WHEREAS, the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors
12 ("DREAM") Act, introduced in the U.S. Senate, would permit high school graduates who
13 immigrated to the United States before the age of 16, lived in the country for at least five
14 consecutive years prior to the passage of the legislation and are under the age of 30 at
15 the time of enactment, the ability to gain conditional legal residency; and

16 WHEREAS, the conditional residency is furthermore contingent upon the
17 good moral character of the students and the completion of either two years post-
18 secondary education or military service within the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has already invested in the education
20 of these students and believe they should be allowed to reach their full potential and
21 contribute to our society; and

22 WHEREAS, meaningful access to higher education through the provision of
23 loans and work-study to eligible students would allow these students to make a full
24 contribution to the country's and the City's civic, political and economic well-being; and

25 WHEREAS, passage of the DREAM Act would lead to an increase in
26 educational opportunities for our youth and in the number of young, educated and hard-
27 working adults capable of contributing to the local community and economy;

28 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as

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1 follows:

2 Section 1. The City of Long Beach supports the passage of the federal
3 DREAM Act.

4 Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
5 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

6 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
7 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of October 5, 2010 by the
8 following vote:

9 Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, O'Donnell,
10 Schipske, Andrews, Johnson, Gabelich.

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13 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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15 Absent: Councilmembers: Neal.

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20 City Clerk

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