

RESOLUTION

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 government body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, existing law identifies the California state highway system through a description of segments of roads that are owned and operated by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and

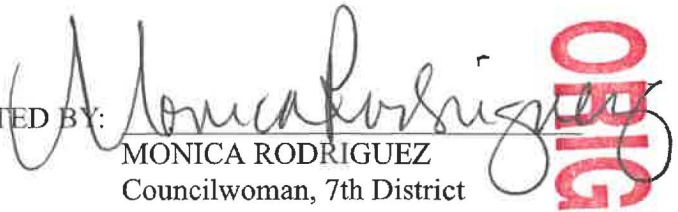
WHEREAS, California State Route (SR 210) follows the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains for approximately 85 miles, connecting the northeastern suburbs of Los Angeles with the Inland Empire; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2023, Assembly Member Holden introduced AB 776, which would require Caltrans to work with certain entities, including, but not limited to, California Indian tribes local to, or historically located along, State Route 210, to identify appropriate locations for signs to recognize tribal lands in Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties and designate the highway as the Southern California Native American Freeway; and

WHEREAS, AB 776 acknowledges the tribal cultural affiliations along Route 210 including Cahuilla, Chumash, Gabrieleno/Tongva, Fernandeño/Tataviam and Serrano and includes findings and declarations related to the role Native Americans have played in the state and country's culture and success; and

WHEREAS, the bill's acknowledgment of indigenous lands provides exposure and a learning opportunity for individuals who may have never heard the names of the tribes, acknowledges the land is indigenous/tribal protocol, and establishes a respectful routine and habit of supporting reconciliation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 776 (Holden) that would require Caltrans to work with California Indian tribes local to, or historically located along State Route 210, to identify appropriate locations for signs to recognize tribal lands and designate the highway as the Southern California Native American Freeway.

PRESENTED BY: 
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