


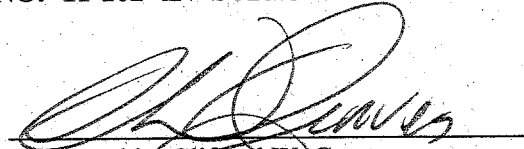


City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

August 2, 2011
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-102 IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1226, CAYLEE'S LAW


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I. SUMMARY

On July 19, 2011, Councilmember Gipson requested this matter be added to the August 2, 2011 City Council agenda for consideration. This request was approved by Mayor Dear.

The recent court case involving the death of two-year old Caylee Anthony brought to light the lack of existing California legislation that provides for punishment if a parent, guardian or caregiver fails to report a child missing. The proposed legislation, Assembly Bill 1226 (AB 1226) or Caylee's Law, if passed, would provide penalties for such failures of notification. Staff is requesting that the City Council consider adopting Resolution No. 11-102 in support of this proposed legislation.

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-102, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1226, CAYLEE'S LAW."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit the resolution to California State Assemblymembers Paul Cook, Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall, III, Kevin Jeffries, David Valadao, Warren Furutani, and California State Senators Tom Berryhill and Ted Lieu.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE any other action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

In July 2008, after Caylee Anthony had been missing for 31 days, her grandparents reported her missing to law enforcement. The remains of Caylee Anthony were discovered five months later. Casey Anthony, Caylee's mother, was recently acquitted of murdering the child, but found guilty of lying to authorities about the child's whereabouts. While convicted of lying to law enforcement, Florida courts could do little to punish Casey for failing to report her