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12532 Presnell St
Los Angeles, CA 90066-6731

Nov 13, 2012

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18 Spinnaker St
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292-7123

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1823 Camden Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90025-4449

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3227 Country Dr
Fremont, CA 94536-6110

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1833 Fairburn Ave Apt 306
Los Angeles, CA 90025-4920

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Venice, CA 90291-3829

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7933 Vanalden Ave
Reseda, CA 91335-1135

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546 N Commonwealth Ave

Los Angeles, CA 90004-2303

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5702 Troost Ave
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13917 Runnymede St
Van Nuys, CA 91405-2508

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Ms. Emily Taylor
3644 1/2 Mentone Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90034-5605

Dear Council Member Wesson,

I'm a Los Angeles resident who cares about our environment and local community. I'm concerned about our current, broken, waste and recycling system. I was very frustrated last year in my old apartment when I was not able to recycle in the building. Instead, I had to save up my recycling in my small apartment until I could transport it to a friend's house who had recycling. I deeply care about recycling, and I want to avoid drastic measures when our landfills fill up, but too much recycling ends up as trash.

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The current system is dangerous for workers. I was horrified and ashamed to learn two boys were killed in a waste facility that takes LA trash. I want to make sure nothing like that happens to workers in LA – yet the drivers in my neighborhood don't always have safety vests. I recently learned that workers, not machines, sort my trash – often working without protective gear like gloves or ear plugs, and sometimes exposed to hazardous waste. I want to recycle, but not at the expense of people who have to endure hazardous conditions to do so.

The current system exports our jobs and our responsibilities. A lot of what we think will get recycled here ends up in China – why aren't we creating those green jobs at home? Some of that "recycling" ends up incinerated in countries with few regulations – that's not right.

This industry is too important, and the impacts too far-reaching – to maintain the current system or rely on half-measures. I support the Bureau of Sanitation's plan for an exclusive waste and recycling franchise system. Environmental and waste experts all support this proposal, including the Board of Public Works, the City Council's energy and waste committees, NRDC, the Sierra Club, and the Coalition for Clean Air. Non-profits like LAANE, small businesses like Mama's Hot Tamales, and worker safety experts like Cal-OSHA and UCLA LOSH do, too.

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Thank you,

Madeline Brozen
1282 West Blvd, Apt A
Los Angeles, CA 90019

CC: Sharon Dickinson, City Clerk's Office

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