Wilmington Marquez Family

Letter of support

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Su: Marquez Family Letter of Support For Motion CF 11-0112

Dear Councilmembers & City Clerk Staff:

The Wilmington Marquez Family submits our Letter of Support for the Green Up Clean Up - Motion CF 11-0112. We request that the Los Angeles City Council and the Planning and Land Use Management Committee vote yes in favor of Motion CF 11-0112 to allow Wilmington to be one of the three pilot environmental justice protected communities in Los Angeles.

We are tired of Wilmington being an Industrial Toxic Death Zone. We are tired of breathing toxic air pollution every day. We no longer want our community families to be suffering from asthma, lung cancer, leukemia, lymphoma, COPD and numerous other diseases caused by toxic industries in Wilmington.

We are tired of the flaring, fires and explosions that occur every month at oil refineries and other petroleum industries in our community. We are tired of the fires and explosions that occur at junk yards. We are tired of the thousands of diesel trucks that pass through our community every day. We are tired of all the illegal businesses that are operating in Wilmington.

The City of Los Angeles announced last year that it would not proceed with the updating of the Wilmington Community Plan that is supposed to take place every five years. So how are Wilmington resident's lives going to improve when the city is not doing anything to improve our community? What is even worse upon review of the past Wilmington Community Plan the city failed to do over 50% of the recommendations it identified as priorities.

The new Green Up Clean Up motion provides the City of Los Angeles the opportunity to research and recommend a framework of potential new ordinances, policies, procedures, programs, best practices and conditional use permit requirements that can improve the quality of life of all Wilmington residents.

On behalf of our family and the thousands of other Wilmington families we urge the Los Angeles City Council and the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee to vote yes in favor of motion CF 11-0112

Sincerely,

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