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East of Corbin Ave.*

Advising the Mayor and
City Council of Los Angeles

July 10, 2012

Los Angeles City Council
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Community Impact Statement and Resolution in Support of CF 11-0262

To the Honorable City Councilmembers:

At a publicly noticed meeting in accordance with the Brown Act the Northridge West Neighborhood Council voted to support the report sought by motion under Council File Number CF 11-0262. Specifically, that NWNC motion seeks to Reaffirm, Reiterate and Restate the NWNC's support of the Community Care Facility Ordinance (CCFO).

NWNC wishes to restate with more detail support of the Community Care Facility Ordinance to protect our neighborhoods and quality of life. (Original Motion was dated April 12, 2011 with a vote of Yea-8, No-0, and Abstain-1).

"Whereas, NWNC voted Yea-8, No-0, Abstain-1 to support CCFO in the past, it is imperative to reiterate this support and include more details now that the ordinance will soon be considered by LA City Council.

Whereas, the Community Care Facilities Ordinance is common-sense legislation that has been developed to address the proliferation of unlicensed nuisance group homes and boarding facilities that have had a huge negative impact on single family neighborhoods in Council Member Mitch Englander's District in the Northwest San Fernando Valley and in neighborhoods all across the City of Los Angeles. There are a great number of these unlicensed, unregulated facilities, most of which are for-profit businesses operating in residential areas.

Whereas, this ordinance is in response to families and neighborhoods in crisis who have been terrorized and unable to enjoy the peace and quiet of their own homes. Many of them will not even allow their children to play outside on their street because there are large groups of rowdy people loitering, drinking and smoking, using vulgar language, and harassing neighbors who dare to ask them to be respectful.

Whereas, these facilities generate frequent complaints, often over a period of years, of loud parties, drug and alcohol use, fights, excessive trash, public urination, heavy traffic and cars parked illegally. The illegal and unlicensed facilities often lack any kind of security, supportive services, and have unsanitary and crowded conditions, with up to 40 people in one home.

Whereas, the Ordinance is very carefully and specifically crafted so that it does not single out or discriminate against any groups, and it will not ban licensed group homes. In fact, with this new ordinance and updated definitions, people with disabilities, veterans, those living in poverty, and people afflicted by substance addiction and mental illness, will have better opportunities for housing in safe, protected and healthy living conditions. The Ordinance will help ensure that they can seek the services and support that they need without being exposed to squalid living conditions.

Whereas, the restrictions in the Ordinance are based on already existing Los Angeles zoning rules, and include requiring licensed facilities to have adequate parking, security, programs and

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supervision in place and limits on numbers of residents. Legitimate, licensed, well-run facilities should be able to meet these requirements, which are meant to ensure that the neighbors' quality of life is protected.

Whereas, LAPD's crime statistics show increased crime levels near these houses.

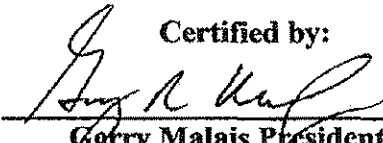
Whereas, many other cities have this type of ordinance.

Whereas, definitions in the Ordinance will ensure that unlicensed and unregulated group homes will not be allowed in low-density, single-family home areas. See the Call to Action Letter to All Neighborhood Councils drafted by Councilman Mitch Englander on the table in this room.

Now, therefore, NWNC resolves to support the Community Care Facility Ordinance to help retain quality of life in our neighborhoods."

We encourage outreach to affected neighborhood councils to gather community input on any changes recommended by the report.

Certified by:


Gerry Malais President of
Northridge West Neighborhood Council

July 10, 2012 Board Meeting VOTE: 7 YES, 1 NO and 1 Abstain



The Industry Watchdog

FAX COVER SHEET

To: JOHN WHITE

From: JORGE CASTILLO

FAX: 213 978 - 1079

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Date:

Message:

THIS SAME LETTER WAS FAXED YESTERDAY
HOWEVER IT HAD THE WRONG DATE OF 2012
THE CORRECT DATE IS 2013.

PLEASE PLACE IN FILE # 11-1429

January 14, 2013

Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

via fax: (213) 473-6925

Re: SUPPORT prohibiting alcohol advertising on Los Angeles City Public Property (Council File 11-1429)

Dear Councilmember Mitchell Englander,

We appreciated the conversation we had with you on December 5th after the end of the City Council Meeting. As we mentioned the motion to ban alcohol ads on city owned and controlled property has been in the Public Safety Committee since August of 2011. We spoke to Doug Tripp, your Chief Legislative Deputy in December 2011 about the motion and he assured us that he would facilitate a meeting with you in January of 2012. A entire year has passed and we have asked several times since for a meeting and we have never received any acknowledgement.

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We would like to clarify that local government has the legal and constitutional right to ban alcohol ads on its property. We hope that you can consider this request and meet with our coalition.

We respectfully urge you to adopt a citywide policy prohibiting alcohol ads on public property.

Sincerely,

Ruben Rodriguez, Chair Coalition to Ban Alcohol Ads on Public Property in Los Angeles

CC: local Los Angeles news media outlets, Public Safety Committee Members

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is a grassroots effort. La campaña y coalición son un proyecto comunitario.

coalition members include/miembros incluyen :

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- * P3 Partnership for a Positive Pomona
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Message:

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THANKS.

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jorgec@marininstitute.org

Meeting request with Councilmember Englander on motion to Ban Alcohol Ads on Public Property

From : Jorge Castillo <jorgec@alcoholjustice.org>

Mon, Jan 14, 2013 05:19 PM

Subject : Meeting request with Councilmember Englander on motion to Ban Alcohol Ads on Public Property

To : doug tripp <doug.tripp@lacity.org>

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December 5, 2012

Public Safety Committee
Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

via fax: 213-978-1079

Re: *SUPPORT* prohibiting alcohol advertising on Los Angeles City Public Property (Council File 11-1429)

Dear Councilmember Mitchell Englander,

As concerned community members we are troubled by the advertisement of alcohol on public property. At a time when there is a lack of services to treat alcohol related harms, the City of Los Angeles should not participate as a promoter of alcohol. Councilmember Richard Alarcón agreed with us and introduced a motion (**Council File 11-1429**) directing the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance prohibiting alcohol advertising on city-owned and controlled property.

Families and youth utilize city owned and controlled property on a daily basis, such as school buildings, recreation centers, libraries and bus shelters. To the extent that commercial advertising is allowed in these public facilities, the City of Los Angeles can play a positive role in reducing exposure of alcohol advertising. ***We ask that as the Chair of the Public Safety Committee you add your vote in support of prohibiting alcohol advertising on city-owned and controlled property.***

The L.A. County Department of Public Health recommends "reducing alcohol advertising in public spaces and in areas commonly seen by minors," as a way to help discourage underage drinking. Currently the Los Angeles MTA does not allow alcohol advertising on its buses, trains and other transit facilities.

We would like to clarify that local government has the legal and constitutional right to ban alcohol ads on its property. We hope that you can consider this request and look at the cost of alcohol in a way that can truly capture the economic impact it has on Los Angeles City services and the community at large.

We respectfully urge you to adopt a citywide policy prohibiting alcohol ads on public property.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rich Martinez".

Richard Martinez
Superintendent of Schools



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December 12, 2012

FAX – City Clerk/Los Angeles, CA
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Attached please find the CIS Report regarding the North Hills West Neighborhood Council's vote in support of the CCFO dated November, 5, 2012.

Please be advised that your records still indicate that our Council is "against" the ordinance when, in fact, we voted to rescind the previous Council's opposition.

It would be very much appreciated if you would update all records to Indicate that we are in unanimous support of the ordinance.

Thank you for your prompt attention.

Sincerely,

Debra Francisco
NHWNC Secretary

cc: Tino Julian/President
cc: Council Mitchell Englander



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November 5, 2012

The City Clerk
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Los Angeles CA 90012
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Subject: COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT REGARDING COUNCIL FILE
CF 11-0262,CPC 2009-800-CA COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES ORDINANCE

At a Brown Act General Board Meeting, The North Hills West Neighborhood council voted unanimously to support the Community Care Facilities Ordinance. This Ordinance will regulate and control rooming and boarding houses, as well as parolee/probationers houses and sober living houses "Group Homes" in low density single family neighborhoods.

We are proud to add our voices to the list of supporters of the CCFO.

Sincerely,

Debra Francisco
NHWNC Secretary

cc: Tino Julian/President