March 12, 2012

Councilmember Bill Rosendahl Los Angeles City Hall 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: Community Care Facilities Ordinance Case No: CPC-2009-800-CA CEQA: ENV-2009-801-ND Council File No: 11-0262

Dear Councilmember Rosendahl:

I am a constituent. I am writing to urge you to immediately enact the Community Care Facilities Ordinance. We have 2 (some say 3) rooming houses in a single block here on Victoria, just East of Lincoln.

The first house has been renting a warren of flimsy shacks in the backyard for many years now. They were even renting a treehouse. Orange outdoor extension cords provide power. I think someone counted 8 tenants at one point, in addition to the owners in the front house. The neighbors have reported it to Building and Safety, but the investigation always comes back with no findings. We tried reporting it as an unlicensed business, to no avail. Tried just dealing with all the vehicles, again no impact.

The second house has 6 or 7 separate tenants who rent bedrooms and share a living/kitchen area in a large back house. They were advertising on Westside Rentals for \$1000/month per room. When they dropped the price a little, all the rooms were snapped up. The front house is occupied by the owner's construction foreman. All his workers meet there in the morning and leave their cars parked on the street all day. The owner stocks his business from the garage. So, I guess that is 2 commercial enterprises operating out of that place, right?

I don't feel good about exposing my neighbors in this way, but commercial rooming houses don't belong in an R-1 neighborhood. Please enact this ordinance, and support enforcement measures.

Sincerely,

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