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Dear Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council:

My father was a decorated hero during World War II. After the war he met the woman who would become my mother and, with the assistance of the G.I. Bill, purchased a modest home in a peaceful residential neighborhood in Los Angeles. He raised his family in that home, and one of the proudest days in his life was when he finally paid off the mortgage.

Dad died a few years ago, but my elderly mother continued to live in the house. Until last year, that is. That's the year house next door was leased out as a sober living residence. That's the year the loud partying, the public drunkenness, the trashing of the street, and the long stretches of parked cars restricting access to my mother's home began. That's the year when courteous requests to be more considerate were met with threats to life and property. That's the year my mother's home of fifty-plus years was no longer a safe place for her to live. That's the year my mother was forced to move.

My mother often wishes she could return to her home. With the passage of CF 11-0262, the Community Care Facilities Ordinance, perhaps that will become a reality.

I urge you to vote in favor of this ordinance. Were my father still alive, I'm sure he'd have urged likewise. The basic right to live a life not menaced by crime and intimidation was surely among those he once so bravely fought to ensure.

Most respectfully,

Terrence Walker
Los Angeles