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Dear Mr. Lid,

I am writing to you to support reinstatement of the ordinance to enforce parkway parking. I live on the 100 block of North Kenmore Avenue in Koreatown. I am the mother of a 17 month old girl born and raised in this neighborhood. Since my daughter was born, with few green space options to enjoy in the area, we have frequently chosen to get fresh air by going for a walk. Whether in a carrier when my daughter was a tiny one or in a stroller today, I usually face many obstacles on our walks: uneven pavement, inconsistent curb cuts, large items such as couches and TVs littering the side of the road. As we explore the neighborhood, we also frequently encounter parked vehicles spilling out of the roadway and onto the parkway - and often onto the sidewalk itself, blocking our path. In other areas, we see yellow posts planted into the ground to prevent such parking, marring the little green respite available in an otherwise very concrete neighborhood. Recently, vehicles have begun parking on the parkway directly outside my home, making it one of the first things my daughter see when we leave the house each day. At first, all these obstacles merely impeded me and my enjoyment of our walks. Today, as my daughter develops, they impede my ability to teach her about good citizenship and stewardship of our city, our community, our neighborhood. When people park on the parkway, they say "me first" in an incontrovertible way, and show an utter disrespect for the common areas we all need to share. Without enforcement, this problem is not just not going to go away, it is going to get worse, as the vehicles newly using parkway space on my own block demonstrate. Please, reinstate the parkway parking enforcement ordinance and help make the sidewalk and parkway a safe place for families to walk with small children and a place where I can teach my daughter pride of stewardship in her neighborhood.

Best,

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