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## Fwd: Park Rangers in Los Angeles Council File 12-0899-S1

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I understand that there is a motion in committee that will be going before the Council regarding the a study and report on the need for Park Rangers in Los Angeles.

I walk to Beilenson Park and around Lake Balboa four times a week. There is no police supervision save a very occasional drive through by an officer. Here are some of the things I've seen on more than one occasion.

- Private cars and trucks driven on the bike path and up onto the grass
- Skateboarding on the bike path that runs directly around the lake
- Unattended cooking fires.
- Pets running off leash and allowed to harass the bird wildlife.
- Dogs both on and off leash, whose owners don't clean up their feces.
- Birds with fishing line so tangled around their feet and legs that they could barely walk, let alone swim, and the line wrapped so tightly around the leg it was cutting into the leg and cutting off circulation. I personally assisted with the rescue of two such birds.
- Pair of men going into a toilet room together.

By the way, I walk at 7AM.

These are things that I did not see happen, but have seen the results.

- Private cooking grills placed at the base of a tree, thereby endangering the tree with fire damage.
- Graffiti, of course
- Vandalism, including damaged and broken park benches

Things that I don't see - but should see, in the park.

- Park Rangers to supervise and protect
- Kids playing (except supervised in the little kids playground area)

Please consider putting Park Rangers in the LA Parks!

Thank you-

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