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September 27th, 2016

Councilmember Jose Huizar Planning and Land Use Committee, Chair

Councilmember Mitchell Englander Public Safety Committee, Chair

RE: Council Files 12-1824 and 12-1824-S1

Dear Councilmembers Huizar and Englander,

I am writing you on behalf of the board of the Oaks Homeowners Association to state our support for the recommendations of the City Attorney regarding new regulations on so-called Party Houses. Within the last two years, Party Houses in the Los Feliz Oaks have proliferated and our residents have experienced not only the unwanted noise and disruption that comes with living next to a Party House but also great difficulty in finding a remedy to this problem. The issue with Party Houses is closely linked to the short-term rental problem and the lack of enforcement of the regulations curbing short-term rentals. Any legislative solution to the Party House problem much be combined with additional consideration to regulating short-term rentals and establishing a code to protect quiet residential habitation. Even with new regulations addressing these issues, we are concerned that enforcement will continue to be a challenge and we are eager as a neighborhood association to know how enforcement will be carried out.

We highly commend Councilmember David Ryu and the other Councilmembers for making this an urgent priority.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Linda Othenin-Girard President Oaks Homeowners Association