

Bennett Kayser
Board Member, District 5



Steven Zimmer
Board Member, District 4

February 21, 2014

To the Members of the Los Angeles City Council:

As Los Angeles Unified School Board Members and former teachers, we believe it is imperative to be proactive in our efforts to model the appropriate behavior for our students. E-cigarettes have become commonplace in our school communities and we as the leaders of the LAUSD must act decisively in deterring our students and employees from participating in such activities on our campuses.

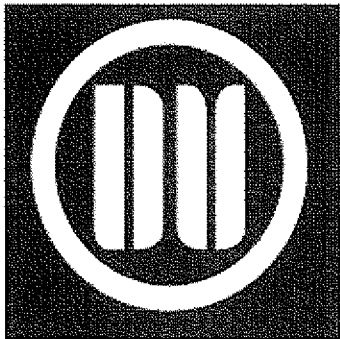
Over the past several years, there has been a dramatic growth in the marketing, the sales, and the use of electronic cigarettes. In fact, a study by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) found that e-cigarette use amongst youth had doubled between 2011-2012 alone. As former middle and high school teachers respectively, we are keenly aware the influence proper behavior modeling has upon our students. The fact that usage rates amongst youth are rising rapidly only necessitates the need for action by our district and city in curbing this behavior.

We are honored and pleased to send this letter of support for Councilman Mitch O'Farrell's efforts around creating healthy and safe environments for our communities. Our students are vitally important to our city's future and we must ensure we have given them the safest environment possible.

Sincerely,

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DOUX VAPE

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Councilman Curren Price
200 N. Spring Street Room 420
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council File 13-1204 S1, E-Cig Use Prohibition

Councilman Price,

Doux Vape opened its doors in August of 2013. My business partner, Rick Choi and I are both former smokers thanks to vaping. We opened Doux Vape because we believe that vaping is a growth business and we wanted to be on the ground floor.

Our customers come from all walks of life. Many of them are smokers who have heard about vaping and are curious to know if it can help them quit. If you have never vaped before, it's important to learn how to use an e-cig. We teach people how to vape and we are concerned that a ban on vaping in our store will put us out of business.

As a member of the Arts, Parks and Health Committee, we respectfully request that you consider an amendment to the proposed e-cig use ban to exclude age-restricted venues like vape shops, bars and nightclubs.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vincent Del Campo', written over a white background.

Vincent Del Campo
Co-owner

cc: City Clerk

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