

Sept. 23rd. 2014

Members of Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

### Re: Council File 13-1374 Prohibit the Growth of Genetically Modified (GM) Crops within City Limits

Councilmember O'Farrell:

We support a GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles!

Thank you for introducing the motion to ban GMO's in Los Angeles. We believe this action will have important consequences for the future of the health and vibrancy of this city and all of its inhabitants both plant and animal.

Keep up the good fight in working to create a GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles!

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Hutchison, Good Eggs LA

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Re: Endorsement for LA GMO Free Zone Motion - File #13-1374

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_, I am writing to express our organization's endorsement of the Koretz-O'Farrell motion #13-1374 to make the City of Los Angeles a GMO-Free Z one with regard to the sale, distribution and growth of GMO plants and seeds.

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September 17, 2014

Dear Councilmember Englander:

RE: Support for GMO-Free Los Angeles

As your constituent and a local business owner, I am writing to ask for your support of the Koretz-O'Farrell motion #13-1374 to make the City of Los Angeles a GMO-Free Zone with regard to the sale, distribution and growth of GMO plants and seeds. A GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles will protect home gardens, school gardens, community gardens and homegrown food. It will create an area of 502+ square miles (the City footprint) where it is safe to save heirloom vegetable seeds without threat of contamination from genetically-modified plant and seeds.

# 13-1374

A GMO-Free L.A. would encourage more economic development in urban agriculture in L.A. Local growers and food producers could promote their products as non-GMO. With widespread consumer demand for non-GMO foods, this could create local jobs, result in more local produce, and boost the local tax base.

Creating a GMO-Free Zone will have no impact on the cost of purchased food. It will not affect the prices of conventional food, prepared food, or food grown outside the L.A. area. A GMO-Free Zone will protect homegrown food, and will boost LA residents' ability to be self-sufficient.

Having the choice to avoid genetically engineered food is important to Los Angeles residents and your support of this motion would be a strong statement of support for the values of your constituents. Thank you for your time and for your consideration of this important issue.

Thank you,

Robert Goldberg President



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Re: Endorsement for LA GMO Free Zone Motion - File #13-1374

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

On behalf of the **Northeast Valley Green Alliance**, I am writing to express our organization's endorsement of the Koretz-O'Farrell motion #13-1374 to make the City of Los Angeles a **GMO-Free Zone** with regard to the sale, distribution and growth of GMO plants and seeds.

Both my organization in general and I, individually, have worked with the Council and individual members over a period of time on many environmental and other issues. Over the years, we have been pleased at your responsiveness and cooperation. The above-referenced motion is of particular importance at this time and must be resolved in an expeditious way.

I have written in the past about the perils of GMOs. Now is the time to stand up and be counted.

Thank you.

Warmly, Rosemary Jenkins, Chair, Northeast Valley Green Alliance Columnist, citywatchla.com

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## MOMS ACROSS AMERICA Sept 21, 2014

Members of Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

#### Council File 13-1374 Re: Prohibit the Growth of Genetically Modified (GM) Crops within City Limits

Mayor Eric Garcetti, City Council President Herb Wesson, Chairman Felipe Fuentes, Chairman Jose Huizar, Chairman Mitch O'Farrell

We support a GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles!

- 1. A GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles will protect home gardens, school gardens, community gardens and homegrown food. It will create an area of 502+ square miles (the City footprint) where it is safe to save heirloom vegetable seeds without threat of contamination from genetic modification.
- 2. A GMO-Free L.A. would encourage more economic development in urban agriculture in L.A. Local growers and food producers could promote their products as "GMO-Free." It would create local jobs, grow more local produce, and boost the local tax base.
- 3. The long-term impacts of genetic engineering on human health are virtually untested, and there is no transparency of scientific findings. Recent studies in Europe are finding that genetically modified foods may be seriously detrimental to human health.
- 4. Creating a GMO-Free Zone will have no impact on the cost of purchased food. It will not affect the prices of conventional food, prepared food, or food grown outside the L.A. area. A GMO-Free Zone will protect homegrown food, and make it easier for citizens to save seeds for free. It will boost people's ability to be self-sufficient.
- 5. A GMO-Free Zone in L.A. will protect vegetable varieties with cultural heritage, or heirloom/historic varieties (for example Native American corn). This initiative helps prevent contamination by genetic modification.
- 6. Keeping L.A. GMO-Free will help ensure the safety of our bee populations.
- 7. This initiative stands the potential to have significant long-term impact on food security, because this initiative helps protect the diversity of vegetable plants. And that diversity is desperately needed for humanity's survival in a climate-changed future.

This initiative joins and supports the growing national and international movement to limit the spread of GMOs.

Please approve the motion introduced by Councilmembers Koretz and O'Farrell, and seconded by Councilmember Bonin. Please create a GMO-Free Zone in Los Angeles! II4 SEP 25 PM

Sincerely,

Zen Honeycutt, Founder Moms Across America