

COUNCIL FILE 13-1580 - Ban Rodenticide

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Dear Councilmember O'Farrell and Honorable Members of the APHAR Committee,

I won't be able to attend the City Council meeting tomorrow, but I wanted to send this letter of support for Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife (CLAW).

I live in Sherman Oaks and when I put out bird feed, I find that some mice and rats come to eat the seeds. I don't mind this at all, and am not at all concerned for my or my child's health or safety. I had a pet cat killed when I lived in Mt. Washington. Unbeknownst to me, a neighbor had put out rat poison in my yard in order to kill the squirrels that were eating the fruit from his avocado tree.

Therefore, I support CLAW's request to remove dangerous rodent poisons from Los Angeles as they poison untargeted wildlife, domestic animals and children. I request that the City Council:

- Instruct its agencies to stop the use of anticoagulant rodenticides particularly in our parks, wilderness areas and environmentally sensitive areas.
- Create a prohibition or implement drastic reductions of the municipal, commercial, industrial, professional and private use of anticoagulant rodenticides particularly in our hillsides and other ecologically-sensitive areas and/or within 100 feet of parks, school zones, playgrounds and play structures.
- Implement a system of punitive fines to be instituted to support protections particularly for rodenticide usage in hillsides and ecologically sensitive areas.

Sincerely,

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