

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF  
ANIMALS & SOCIETY

*Dedicated to enriching the lives of animals and people  
through exploration of our shared experience.*

April 25, 2014

Dear Los Angeles City,

As a museum dedicated to enriching the lives of animals and people by exploring our shared experience, the issue regarding rodenticide use in city parks greatly alarms us. More often than not, if people suffer, animals suffer... and vice versa. This is no exception with the case of anticoagulant rodenticide use in Los Angeles.

Not only is our local wildlife suffering due to rat poison, but so are companion animals, and people too – whether by losing the wildlife we admire, the dogs and cats we treat as family, or even our youngsters who accidentally come into contact with such poisons.

On behalf of our more than 7,000 supporters, we strongly encourage the Los Angeles City Council and the Department of Recreation and Parks and other city Departments to ban the use of poisons to control the rodent population in the parks and hillside areas of Los Angeles, including the Santa Monica Mountains, Hollywood Hills and Griffith Park.

Our museum is located in East Hollywood, and Griffith Park is in our backyard. Our staff and supporters greatly enjoy this natural treasure and viewing the wildlife that call it home. The Park would be nothing without the birds of prey, coyotes, and other big cats that find sanctuary within its acreage.

Please help animals and people alike by looking critically at the use of rodenticide in the City. I think you'll find it's not worth the loss of any life, human or animal.

Sincerely,



**Carolyn Merino Mullin**  
Founder & Executive Director  
National Museum of Animals & Society  
4302 Melrose Ave | Los Angeles, CA 90029  
carolyn@museumofanimals.org  
office: (323) 928-2652