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To: "Adam.Lid@lacity.org" <adam.lid@lacity.org>

Dear Mr. Lid,

I strongly urge the Los Angeles City Council to vote in favor of banning the use of anti-coagulant rodenticide in city parks and throughout the open space of Los Angeles. The poison poses a significant hazard to children and pets and is not safe for use in public areas. In addition, this poison is harmful to local wildlife, including bobcats, coyotes, foxes, hawks, owls, mountain lions, and others. These animals are sickened by eating poisoned rodents, and in many cases suffer a prolonged and painful death.

Recently I heard about the secondary poisoning of P-22 in Griffith Park – the handsome mountain lion who has become an iconic figure of this area. National Park Service scientists found that he had two types of anti-coagulant rodenticide in his system, and he was suffering from mange caused by the poison. It seems likely that he would not have survived without NPS intervention. The fact that we are causing harm to our treasured wildlife through the use of anti-coagulants is an outrage.

There are non-toxic methods of rodent control that are safer, more humane, and just as effective as the poison. I strongly believe that we must act now to safeguard the wildlife of this area – please ban the use of rodenticides!

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