



To: Chairman Wesson and Honorable Members of the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee

From: Department of Governmental Affairs for:
Los Angeles Cannabis Task Force
Cultivators Alliance
California Minority Alliance
Los Angeles Delivery Alliance

Re: Council File No. 14-0366-S5 CAO/CLA Staff Report Relative to Proposition D

This letter addresses the August 18, 2016 report by the Chief Legislative Analyst and City Administrative Officer, which sets forth various Prop D legislative amendment options for the cannabis industry in the City of Los Angeles. We thank you, the CLA, the CAO, and Andrew Westall, for taking a leadership role in this important issue. After reading your staff report, it is clear that considerable time and resources were spent outlining and addressing the regulatory challenges in the cannabis industry. It does an excellent job identifying the different cannabis businesses seeking licensure from the City and proposing various options for moving forward.

Creating a regulatory framework and licensing scheme for this industry is a difficult and daunting task. We believe that businesses and local stakeholders need to also take a leadership role in this process. As we understand from comments made at the August 19th public hearing, this is your desire as well.

Our Coalition Supports Comprehensive Reform of Proposition D. In the interests of streamlining our message and fulfilling that role, the above-titled groups have joined together as a **Coalition** to be a strong voice for the industry. To that end, we are pleased to report that our **Coalition** is working to provide leadership on behalf of local businesses and stakeholders. Our goal is to help ensure the process moves forward in a reasonable, fair, and legally enforceable manner. Working together with the City of Los Angeles, we hope to create a foundation for a healthy, inclusive, safe, and successful cannabis industry. Therefore, we ask that the City of Los Angeles rely on our voice as one that represents this vibrant and fast growing industry.

In the coming weeks, we will continue to provide the City with feedback on behalf of our **Coalition** aimed at addressing the questions posed at the August 19th hearing and addressed in the report. We look forward to working with you.

Thank you for your attention.

Respectfully,

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CC: Andrew Westall, Chief Legislative Analyst, City Administrative Officer, Interested Local Cannabis Organizations