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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

RE: Proposed Ordinance on commercial cannabis activity. City Council File 14-0366-S4.

President Herb Wesson and Honorable Council Members:

The Governing Board of the East Hollywood Neighborhood Council voted at its October 16, 2017 regular meeting to recommend the following changes to the proposed Los Angeles Ordinance to regulate recreational cannabis activity:

- 1) Increase the distancing requirement for cannabis sales from sensitive uses and other marijuana retail stores from 800 feet to 2,500 feet;
- 2) Include day care centers, youth centers, colleges, vocational schools and churches that have youth services as sensitive uses requiring a 2,500-foot minimum distance from any cannabis retail store;
- 3) Remove any grandfathered status for existing marijuana retail operations;
- 4) Prohibit retail sales in mixed-use buildings with residential units, and in any building adjacent to a residential building, and within 100 feet of a residential zone by airline from all corners of the parking lot and building;
- 5) Allow anyone to appeal a cannabis license approval. Allow 75 days for the city council to hear such appeals, not the proposed 15 council days;
- 6) Restrict retail store hours of operation to 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.;
- 7) Require that all applicants' personal information and an operation's security plan be public information, available to anyone for review;

- 8) Require a Mitigated Negative Declaration as the minimum review necessary under the California Environmental Quality Act for each license application;
- 9) Prohibit dispensing devices;
- 10) Prohibit marijuana smoking inside retail stores;
- 11) Allow no more than 15 retail cannabis stores per council district, for a maximum citywide total of 225 retail outlets.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arasele Torrez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Arasele" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Torrez".

Arasele Torrez, President
East Hollywood Neighborhood Council