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## LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 14-0518

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Save Coldwater Canyon! <savecoldwatercanyon@gmail.com>  
To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Sun, Apr 17, 2016 at 9:42 PM

**RE:**

LA City Council File 14-0518

Ms. Dickinson,

Save Coldwater Canyon (SCC) supports the Wildlife Corridor / Santa Monica Mountains (Hillside Ordinance Zone). We welcome this motion to protect LA's wildlife and wildlife corridor. Hillside development projects should be reviewed and screened for wildlife habitat connectivity to ensure permeability.

SCC is a neighborhood group striving to preserve and protect the natural environment and scenic beauty of Coldwater Canyon and its neighboring communities. We are very concerned that building density in the hillsides and the urbanization of the few remaining open spaces we have left in the hillsides are changing entire species and endangering their viability. As wildlife corridors are blocked, reduced and fragmented, the health and survival of roaming, breeding, and nesting wildlife is threatened.

We support requiring City Planning and PLUM to consider wildlife corridors in any new hillside developments, and to seek scientific guidance to keep wildlife habitat linkages and corridors open.

- We support requiring a Biological Constraints Checklist and Wildlife Permeability Review as part of every new building project application in the hillsides of LA.
- We support No issuance of building or grading permits until project applicants ensure that they will permanently accommodate wildlife habitat connectivity as part of their development projects.
- We support requiring easements or deed restrictions in perpetuity to protect wildlife habitat connectivity.
- We support formally designating a Regional Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zone in the Municipal Code, in as much as just one single-family residential project can cause adverse impacts and threatened wildlife populations.

Thank you to Councilmember Koretz, and the other Councilmembers who signed on to this motion. We support it and hope PLUM does too.

Sincerely,  
Sarah Boyd, President  
Save Coldwater Canyon! Inc.

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SAVE COLDWATER CANYON! Inc. is a neighborhood group fighting to preserve and protect the scenic beauty, natural environment, health, safety and welfare of Coldwater Canyon and its neighboring communities.



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## Wildlife corridor

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deegelb@aol.com <deegelb@aol.com>  
To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Sun, Apr 17, 2016 at 9:51 PM

Dear Ms. Dickinson,

I hope the city of Los Angeles will consider the future of wildlife in our city by approving CM Koretz's motion for protecting the wildlife with the wildlife corridor. I feel we should be doing everything within our power to protect the animals and their ability to survive in the beautiful city where I was born and raised.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dee Gelb



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## Wildlife Corridor Motion - SUPPORT

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Joseph Bishara <josephbishara@mac.com>  
To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Sun, Apr 17, 2016 at 9:51 PM

Dear Ms. Dickinson:

I have lived on Coldwater Canyon for the last 11 years at 3454, and every Spring I watch a nest of hawks in the tree across from me breed, raise their young, then fly off until next season over the course of around two months.

As a matter of fact, there are 3 rapidly growing baby hawks up there right now.

I cannot help but think of the impact on them, flying and hunting as they do - with truckload after truckload of earth excavated in order to build the proposed Harvard Westlake parking structure.

There really should not be a private bridge built across OUR canyon that WE all share.

I've attached some pictures of the hawks I've observed over the years.

Please do not allow one of the rare areas of this city with natural hillside be compromised for private interests.

Thanks for your consideration,

>Joseph Bishara Kebbe  
3454 Coldwater Canyon Ave.





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## Form Submission - Wildlife Linkage Zones - UPPORT COUNCIL FILE 14-0518 - Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zones

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Reply-To: masamif@ttaa.com  
To: sharon.dickinson@lacity.org

Sun, Apr 17, 2016 at 10:22 PM

**Name:** Masami Fukuhara

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**Address:** 3720 Alta Mesa Drive, STUDIO CITY, California 91604 United States

**Subject:** UPPORT COUNCIL FILE 14-0518 - Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zones

**Message:** Dear Chairman Huizar and Honorable Members of the PLUM Committee, I am a Citizen for Los Angeles Wildlife and I support a Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zone ordinance. The Santa Monica Mountains is a special mountain range eco-system that runs through the heart of Los Angeles. LA City's eastern portion of urbanized canyons and hillsides between the I-405 and I-5 freeways is a critical Wildlife habitat Linkage Zone that should be established in our municipal code in order to protect the migratory patterns and habitats of our native animals. As part of the ordinance, please make sure every new building project undergoes a checklist and review for wildlife habitat connectivity and permeability. It needs to be passed now.

(Sent via *Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife*)



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## Form Submission - Wildlife Linkage Zones - PLEASE Support CF 14-0518 / Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zones

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Reply-To: zimzip89@aol.com  
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Sun, Apr 17, 2016 at 1:39 PM

**Name:** Karen Keehne Zimmerman

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**Subject:** PLEASE Support CF 14-0518 / Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zones

**Message:** To: PLUM Committee  
Re: Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zone Ordinance

My husband, Tom, and I urge you to support the Wildlife Habitat Linkage Zone Ordinance [CF 14-0518]. It is important to our family and many of our neighbors that the City of Los Angeles take the lead in protecting our endangered wildlife. The Santa Monica Mountains represent a very special eco-system.

We know from experience that the urbanized canyons and hillsides located between the 405 Freeway and the 5 Freeway has been identified as a critical Wildlife Habit linkage zone. We need our municipal code to reflect this reality. And to protect the migratory patterns and habitats of our native wildlife.

Please be sure that the ordinance requires that every new building project undergoes a thorough checklist and review for wildlife habitat connectivity. WE NEED THIS ORDINANCE PASSED NOW. Please help us better protect and secure these areas.

Thank you!

(Sent via *Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife*)