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Richard,

Apparently someone either did not read correctly, misdirected or missed my card turned in this afternoon to the Sgt At Arms. I am disappointed not to have the just opportunity to speak.

Therefore I would like to have the following statement duly noted as record for CF14-1371:

To Chairman Price & Committee Members:

As you continue to discuss the citywide min wage, the Hotel Assn of Los Angeles reiterates our position that local hotels should not be subject to a substantially higher min wage than any other businesses in our City.

Local hotels are asking you once again to treat our businesses like all other businesses in LA.

How can certain interest groups state there should be NO exemptions for non-profits and small businesses, at the same time advocate for a significantly higher min wage for just one industry?

This is completely HYPOCRITICAL.

HALA is asking for reconciliation of the higher Hotel Only min wage with the Citywide min wage and ask that you delay the implementation of the automatic Consumer Price Index increases for the Hotel Only ordinance to match the same year that the CPI takes effect in the citywide min wage ordinance.

They should both take effect in 2022 to diminish the disparity and the wage gap does not widen.

Reconcile the Hotel Only to match the Citywide ordinance. Or at the very least realign the start of the automatic wage increases for our hotels on the same schedule as the citywide.

We are One city—we need One wage.

Thank you.

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