Dear Councilmember Koretz:

The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council (HHWNC) is one of the certified neighborhood councils in the City of Los Angeles. On October 26, 2016, the Board of Directors voted 15 – yes; 0 – no.; 0 abstentions in support of CF 14-1499-S4, a motion presented by yourself and Councilmember Marquece Harris-Dawson.

The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council encounters illegal dumping on the streets of Los Angeles on a daily basis. The current fine is $1,000 for illegal dumping and is a cost of doing business for the individuals that commit these crimes. The City Council needs to be proactive and enact similar laws as the County and State. California Penal Code 374.3 makes illegal dumping on public and private property punishable by a fine of up to $10,000. Also, pursuant to Section 117555 of the California Health and Safety Code, a person who dumps illegally is punishable by up to six months in jail. In addition in August 2005, the County of Los Angeles adopted an ordinance (PEF. 338 KB) that would allow the Sheriff to seize a vehicle if it is used in the act of illegal dumping.

Kind regards,

Anastasia Mann
President
Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council