

We understand that the City Council will soon be considering File 14-1656 - Unobstructed City Sidewalks. We are residents of the Hermon neighborhood in Northeast Los Angeles and homeless encampments has been an ongoing problem in our area. We are in favor of the passage of this resolution and we urge the Council to vote for its passage. We understand that the homeless situation is a very complicated one but we believe that the safety and wellbeing of all the residents of the City is also of prime importance and we feel that this resolution will be a step in the right direction.

Thank you for your time and attention.

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Dear Mayor Garcetti, Supervisor Solis, Council People, et al;

I write to support the adoption into law of CF14-1656 and the similar future ordinance addressing the same issues in parks citywide.

For over two years, a group of us in Northeast Los Angeles have been concerned about the growing homeless presence along the historic Arroyo Seco and especially within Debs Park, home to one of the largest and most robust California Black Walnut woodlands in the city.

Over this time we have photographed and graphically documented the proliferation of camps in these areas, which not only impact the local ecosystems with trash, human waste, and habitat damage, but also pose a real threat to the local residents, from various and sordid criminal activity to potential loss of life and property through campfires routinely set in both the parks and the arroyo itself -- not to mention the tragic possibility of losing the groves of Black Walnut that characterize this area, but especially Debs Park.

Clearly a long-term solution needs to be formulated to address the underlying problems of the homeless epidemic; however these ordinances -- which include the adoption into law of CF 98-1285 recognizing the authority of the Debs Park Framework Plan -- should provide interim relief to the affected areas and compel those who have the power to affect real change.

Sincerely

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