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## Miracle Mile - HPOZ

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**Judith Karfiol** <jkarfiol@sbcglobal.net>

Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM

To: david.ryu@lacity.org, sharon.dickinson@lacity.org, councilman.wesson@lacity.org, councilman.cedillo@lacity.org, councilman.harris-dawson@lacity.org, councilman.price@lacity.org, councilman.huizar@lacity.org, councilman.englander@lacity.org

Gentlepersons of the City Council and PLUM:

I am a resident of the Miracle Mile who greatly values the relative privacy of my home, the sense of space on our streets, the craftsmanship of both the single family homes and the apartment buildings, and the "neighborhood" feel of this community. This is what I consider the essential "nature" of home life in the Miracle Mile. I am writing to urge you to preserve the Miracle Mile by supporting the HPOZ and to support it with its original boundaries.

Ours is one of the few neighborhoods for miles around which has not yet succumbed to a policy of "out with the old, small charming homes and in with the new, huge modern structures." As I drive through the streets north of Melrose, from Fairfax to La Brea, or the streets west of Crescent Heights between 6th Street and Third Street, or almost anywhere other than here and Carthay Circle, I'm reminded of Invasion of the Body Snatchers! The lovely homes with space around them are slowly being replaced, one or two at a time by the enormous glass and cement boxes, and it's clear that it won't be long before those neighborhoods exclusively belong to them.

There are many, many of us who do not wish to lose our own quiet streets with our mostly private gardens so that developers and real estate agents can get rich; we don't want our roads clogged with hundreds (more?) of additional cars and people going in and out every day; we don't want our sunlight blocked by "two story" cement walls which are perhaps 15 feet higher than any other two story home nearby and which go as close to the property line as is possible, without paths or driveways.

I have heard/read that there are alternatives to the HPOZ, but I've also heard and read that these are not permanent or even guaranteed from one year to the next. Indeed, I was actually under the impression that there was a moratorium these past 18 or so months on new demolition and the building of these new outsized homes here in the Miracle Mile but today, on my regular morning walk, I came across one in the 900 block of Curson (I believe it was) which certainly looks to have been started since the moratorium was imposed. So I'm not in favor of any measure which can readily and easily be changed, circumvented or eliminated, but one which is dependable and long-lasting - and that would be the HPOZ.

I urge you to please consider all the residents who have elected to live in the Miracle Mile because of its very nature - do not let that nature be spoiled, help us to preserve it!

Respectfully yours,

Judith Karfiol

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## Support for HPOZ

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Thank you,

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**Karen Mack via MMRA** <no-reply@miraclemilela.com>

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