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Support Mobility Plan 2035 for safe & sustainable streets! CF#15-0719

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Dear Honorable Councilmembers:

I live in Sherman Oaks and David Ryu is my councilmember. I have owned my home in Sherman Oaks for many years and I try to be active. So while this is to go to all councilmembers, I hope that Mr. Ryu pays particular attention to my correspondence as he indicated that he supports multi-modal transportation and I would like to hear back from his office on his position on this matter.

I rely on all forms of transportation. I bicycle and use public transportation to get to work. I walk. I occasionally drive my wife's car. I am pursuing a Master's degree in Public Administration at USC and my studies tend to focus on reshaping communities based on a multi-modal perspective. Los Angeles must transform itself into a viable multi-modal city if it is to compete in the global market and to attract the cutting edge jobs that we need. We need to stop thinking in terms of shaving minutes of a driver's commute time and focus on creating livable communities where kids don't fear crossing the street or where there is enough space for kids to be kids. We are not there, yet.

Therefore, I support adopting the Mobility Plan 2035, including *ALL* of its proposed networks. I *strongly* support this Plan because I believe that it will help make L.A. streets better for all of us walking, biking, taking transit and driving.

A well-connected network of protected bike lanes and other complete streets improvements the Plan includes will give people healthier options to get around our neighborhoods and our whole city. Calmer traffic and safer streets are critical to protect and enhance our quality of life. We need this plan to build on the progress made by the 2010 Bicycle Plan and make all modes of transportation work together for our city. The modal networks in the Plan were carefully crafted to balance the needs of all who will use them. We can't afford to piecemeal them to appease local naysayers without undermining their citywide utility.

Please approve the Mobility Plan 2035 with no changes so that we can all travel safely on the streets of L.A.

Sincerely,

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