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Honorable Councilmember José Huizar Chair, Planning Land Use Management Committee Los Angeles City Hall 200 N. Spring Street # 465 Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Clean Up Green Up Ordinance (CF#15-1026)

Dear Chairman Huizar,

I write in support of the Clean Up Green Up Initiative Ordinance and ask for its full and fair consideration by the Planning and Land Use Management Committee.

As a lifelong resident of the San Fernando Valley and a former member of the Los Angeles City Council, I am well aware of the need to address environmental justice concerns in our communities. I am a proud to be an early co-author of the original motion to establish the Clean Up Green Up Initiative.

I am encouraged by the proposed development standards for the three pilot Green Zones of Boyle Heights, Pacoima/Sun Valley and Wilmington. This ordinance will provide local regulatory tools to address issues arising from the proximity of incompatible land uses - largely industrial uses close to homes, schools, parks and other places where vulnerable populations gather. The standards also deal with the cumulative adverse impacts that result from concentrations of certain uses close to such sensitive uses. I look forward to the successful implementation of the three green zones, bringing economic innovation and a healthier Los Angeles.

Thank you for your thorough and thoughtful deliberation of the Clean Up Green Up Initiative Ordinance. If you have any questions or wish to further discuss the matter, please contact my office at (202) 225-6131.

Sincerely,

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