May 3, 2012

Los Angeles City Council
City Hall
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: CF 11-0112 (Clean Up Green Up)

Dear City Councilmembers:

At our March 8, 2011, Board meeting, the Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council voted 11-0 with no abstentions to endorse the Clean Up Green Up campaign. We now urge the members of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee and the full City Council to support the Clean Up, Green Up motion (Council File 11-0112).

One of the target areas would be Wilmington, a part of the City of Los Angeles which has been very heavily affected by the cumulative impact from many sources of pollution. We support the campaign’s mission to use planning tools to prevent and reduce the overconcentration of environmental hazards and to use economic revitalization resources to clean up and green up existing businesses and to retain and stimulate new, green jobs in Wilmington and the other two target areas: Boyle Heights and Pacoima.

We also note that the Clean Up Green Up policy proposal complements other important environmental initiatives taking place in Los Angeles, including the South Coast Air Quality Management District’s (AQMD) Clean Communities Plan. This is the time to move forward on developing solutions to the effects of air pollution on our City residents in these three areas.

Sincerely,

Neodros Bridgeforth, Corresponding Secretary
Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council