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The Honorable Herb Wesson, President Los Angeles City Council 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012 via email

## Support for Clean Up Green Up Ordinance (CF#15-1026)

Dear President Wesson and Members of the City Council,

The Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition (LACBC) supports the Clean Up Green Up Initiative Ordinance, which we understand is currently under review by the City Attorney and will be pending approval within the next coming months.

We strongly support the proposed new development standards for the three pilot Green Zones of Boyle Heights, Pacoima/Sun Valley and Wilmington because they provide much needed 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.

In addition, we support the Los Angeles Collaborative for Environmental Justice (Communities for a Better Environment, Coalition for a Safe Environment, Pacoima Beautiful & Union de Vecinos) in their effort to monitor the ordinance as it moves forward for passage by the full city council to ensure the ordinance contains the strongest local regulatory and land use tools possible, especially regarding the proposed conditional use permit for oil refineries and asphalt manufacturers.

We eagerly anticipate the passage of the Clean Up Green Up policies and we look forward to the success of the three pilot zones, which will lead the way to economic innovations and a healthier, safer and greener Los Angeles.

Sincerely.

Tamika Butler

**Executive Director**