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**Good Morning Council Members. My name is Randi Feilich and I am the volunteer Southern California Representative of Project Coyote. I am also a property owner in the City of Los Angeles.**

**Project Coyote supports Los Angeles Animal Services and General Manager Brenda Barnette 's recommendation for co-existence and education in their proposed Coyote Management Program. We support a proactive plan that emphasizes public education and effective behavior modifications to reduce conflicts between people, pets and coyotes. Through our Coyote Friendly Communities Program we provide services to cities and towns throughout North America – including San Francisco, Calabasas and Albuquerque, NM - providing presentations, workshops, and scientifically vetted public education materials. We offer our services, free materials and expertise to the City.**

**Scientific studies show that trapping does not work. Coyotes play a vital role in maintaining healthy ecosystems, providing free rodent control among other ecological services. The City of Los Angeles has become a model and a leader in environmental stewardship with the ban on trapping, and the most recent wildlife corridor motion. We support the Animal Services recommendation.**

**Thank you**