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Summary: The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council urges the Los Angeles City Council to create a Council File on the funding of speed surveys and to take all actions necessary to expedite their funding on streets identified by the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and our neighborhoods.

At the end of 2015, 75 percent of our roads had expired speed surveys, meaning that police cannot effectively enforce existing speed limits, let alone take action on streets where conditions have changed as a result of increased development.

The figure for expired speed surveys is over 80 percent on the City's Vision Zero High Injury network – the six percent of our streets where 65 percent of all deaths and severe injuries take place. Our City's deadliest streets are currently ones where our police cannot enforce speed laws.

This is not acceptable and we request the Council take immediate action to improve this situation.

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## Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

November 3, 2016

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Members of the Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Request for the City to accelerate the funding of speed surveys (CF 16-0600)

The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council, which represents over 60,000 Los Angeles stakeholders who reside, own property, or conduct business in our neighborhood supports the efforts of Mayor Garcetti and our Councilmembers to improve our quality of life though the City of Los Angeles' Vision Zero program.

A major component of Vision Zero is the implementation of safety elements of education and enforcement to combat excessive speed, a common contributing factor for collisions resulting in severe and fatal injuries.

California law requires the City of Los Angeles to conduct speed studies every seven to ten years to evaluate current road conditions and determine appropriate speed limits. If speed surveys are not done, or if they expire, then the Los Angeles Police Department cannot use their state of the art laser speed enforcement devices to charge and convict those flaunting the speed limits.

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Therefore, the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council urges the Los Angeles City Council to create a Council File on this matter and to take all actions necessary to expedite the funding of speed surveys on streets identified by the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and our neighborhoods.

Sincerely. M

Harvey Slater, President Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

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