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Summary: The ERNC supports the City’s effort to change the City’s ADU law to comply with California law by repealing the City’s 1985 second unit law (§12.24 W.43 and 44), incorporating the new state provisions, and introducing new tailored ADU regulations that recognize the diversity of Los Angeles’ neighborhoods.

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March 21, 2017

City Council and PLUM Committee
City Planning Commission
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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This recommendation was agendized at a Brown-Act-noticed public meeting on February 7, 2017, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully,

David Greene
Immediate Past President
Chair, Land Use and Planning Committee