

Communication from Public

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October 17, 2019

Chair Planning and Land Use
Management Committee
Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council file number 17-0117 Alcohol Restricted Use Subdistrict (ARUS) Support

Dear Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson,

On behalf of the South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils, please consider this letter an acknowledgement of our formal support of ARUS (**Council File 17-0117**) a motion that instructs the Planning Department, in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare a report on the feasibility of establishing a process to create Alcohol Restricted Use Subdistricts (ARUS), that would serve to restrict the overconcentration of alcohol retailers in areas of the City where the retail sale of alcohol is negatively impacting neighborhoods and residents. Our support was confirmed with a vote of 4-1-0 at our regular monthly meeting held on Thursday, October 17, 2019.

ARUS would allow communities and their representatives to identify vulnerable areas in city council districts where restrictions could be applied to the future issuances of off-sale or on-sale alcohol licenses. ARUS would assist South Los Angeles as we work to balance the presence of alcohol and cannabis in our communities. ARUS zones will protect communities and families while encouraging economic growth by fostering an environment that allows for a diverse mix of retail establishments and service providers in our communities.

We request that the Planning and Land Use Management Committee schedule the ARUS motion for a hearing. We further request that the committee support the passage of the motion.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thryeris Mason", is written over a horizontal line.

Ms. Thryeris Mason
Chair
South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

cc: Veronica De Lara, Los Angeles Drug and Alcohol Policy Alliance