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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** JUDY JOHNSON <jandp1993@comcast.net>

**To:** clerk.cps@lacity.org, michael.espinosa@lacity.org, paul.koretz@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

**At:** Fri, Aug 3, 2018 at 2:08 PM

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Dear Members of the Los Angeles Arts, Parks & River Committee:

Please SUPPORT the Motion to Release Billy the Elephant to Sanctuary. Billy needs to be released as soon as possible to an appropriate sanctuary environment where he can live out the remainder of his life in peace and dignity.

I support MOTION #17-0453 for Billy the elephant to be released to a sanctuary.

Thank you.

Mrs. Judy Johnson

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**From:** 'Angelina Lorenzo-Juan' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Fri, Aug 3, 2018 at 9:04 PM

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Los Angeles City Council and Public Services

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Please free Billy and send him to an elephant sanctuary.

Sincerely,

Ms. Angelina Lorenzo-Juan  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Ms. Sophie kocev  
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Darlington, WA 6070  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Sincerely,

Ms. sofia jones  
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Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082-2430  
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Sincerely,

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Mira Loma, CA 91752-1353  
lajibara1@yahoo.com

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This is outrageous! why would this animal be treated like a lap dog? it's a Elephant! it needs room to move around if you people cant do that then give them to some one who Will! give him a Habitat he can be happy in and let him be with other Elephants! what are you people thinking?

Please free Billy and send him to an elephant sanctuary.

Sincerely,

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Riverbank, CA 95367-2832  
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