
REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

1 message

From: Curtis Livingston <nicetownsurfer@hotmail.com>

To: "clerk.cps@lacity.org" <clerk.cps@lacity.org>, "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>, "david.ryu@lacity.org" <david.ryu@lacity.org>, "paul.koretz@lacity.org" <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, "councilmember.price@lacity.org" <councilmember.price@lacity.org>

At: Sat, Jul 21, 2018 at 11:03 PM

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

Please Do Not Support the Motion to Release Billy the Elephant to an Tuberculosis-Laced Sanctuary like PAWS or TES. Billy needs to remain in his loving home at The Los Angeles Zoo, in an environment where he can live out the remainder of his life in the environment that he is accustomed to and that is best suited for him. Please don't continue to allow him to be a pawn in the animal rights extremist's agenda to remove all animals from human care.

Instead, try to make laws that will aim to save Billy's relatives in the wild. They're the ones who are really abused by Poachers for tusks or eating trash, or getting ran over by trains.

Extinctionism in the name of Animal Rightism should NOT be Legalized.

Thank you.

sincerely,

Curtis Julious Livingston, III

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1 message

From: 'Carol Hendrix' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
To: clerk.cps@lacity.org, michael.espinosa@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, paul.koretz@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org
At: Sat, Jul 21, 2018 at 10:18 PM

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

I do not support, and urge you to deny, the motion to release Billy the Elephant to a sanctuary. Billy should remain in his home at The Los Angeles Zoo, in an environment where he has lived for over 30 years in the care of professionals who know him well. He must stay in the environment that he is accustomed to and that is best suited for him. As a Los Angeles County native, I'm embarrassed and offended by the idea that a committee would entertain the suggestion to remove him. Do not allow him to be a pawn in the animal rights extremist's agenda to remove all animals from human care. I heartily support Billy and all the animals at The Los Angeles Zoo; I implore you to do so as well.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Carol Hendrix

Sent from my iPhone

Protect Billy The Elephant From Animal Rights Extremists

1 message

From: Cathalina Liebel <cathalinaliebel@gmail.com>

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

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

Please Do Not Support the Motion to Release Billy the Elephant to Sanctuary.

Billy needs to remain in his loving home at The Los Angeles Zoo, in an environment where he can live out the remainder of his life in the comfort and level of personal, hands on care that he is accustomed to and that is best suited for him. Please don't continue to allow him to be a pawn in the animal rights extremist's agenda to remove all animals from human care. He is loved and well cared for at the zoo.

Thank you, sincerely,
Cathalina Liebel

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1 message

From: Kaitlyn Campbell <campbellswv@live.com>

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

At: Sat, Jul 21, 2018 at 8:48 PM

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

Please Do Not Support the Motion to Release Billy the Elephant to Sanctuary. Billy needs to remain in his loving home at The Los Angeles Zoo, in an environment where he can live out the remainder of his life in peace and dignity. Please don't continue to allow him to be a pawn in the animal rights extremist's agenda to remove all animals from human care. Billy has amazing care in a beautiful facility where he gives families the opportunity to see such an amazing animal up close, no one will be able to do that and you all will lose an amazing animal ambassador.

Thank you, sincerely,

Kaitlyn Campbell

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From: 'Kevin McKenna' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
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If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call or email.

Thank you,
Kevin McKenna
508-365-8699

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From: Elephantstay, Thailand <elephantstay@elephantstay.com>

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As someone who works with elephants in Thailand I think it is vital that the council recognize and respect the professional expertise that the Zoo gives Billy. I am a great supporter of having ambassadors like Billy accessible to the public where people can be educated about elephants with facts. Moving him to a sanctuary means the public will no longer be able to see him, he will be alone, the standard of care will not be the same as he has now, and he will be exploited for donations for the running of the sanctuary with no benefit to anyone but those who run the place.

Thank you,
sincerely,
Ewa Narkiewicz

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Ewa Narkiewicz | Communications Director
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From: Katrina Knudson <ms.katrina.knudson@gmail.com>

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At: Sat, Jul 21, 2018 at 6:28 PM

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

I have been a major donor to the Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens for the past four years. In addition to my support for the zoo, I have also volunteered with a variety of animal causes outside the zoo for the past twenty years or more.

I am writing to urge you NOT to support the Motion to Release Billy the Elephant to Sanctuary. I have seen the deep connection Billy has with his dedicated staff at the LA Zoo, and I have witnessed firsthand the tender and thoughtful care he receives in his home there. Remaining in his loving home at The Los Angeles Zoo will allow Billy to continue to receive the best care possible, in an environment that was specifically designed with his health and happiness in mind. The heated, padded floors of his barn and soft sand of his six-acre enclosure ensure that he can walk comfortably and naturally, protecting the delicate bones of his feet. The trees, puzzle boxes, water features, and contact with his keepers provide stimulation and enrichment throughout the day. And the close proximity of a female herd allows him daily contact and communication with other elephants while still maintaining his own space, just as bachelor elephants do in the wild. Billy was orphaned in Malaysia at the age of four; Tina, Jewel, Shaunzi and his keepers are his family.

As an animal advocate I am committed to supporting what is best for Billy. And it is my sincere belief, which is rooted in both data and expert testimony, that what is best for Billy is that he remain in the home he has known for almost his entire life.

I still find it surprising that the testimony of people with no science background, who have never worked with or studied elephants, is being given equal or greater weight than that of experts who have spent their entire lives studying and advocating for elephant health and conservation. Please listen to the voices that know Billy best, and reject the motion to send Billy to a sanctuary.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Katrina Knudson

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From: 'Christopher Torge' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
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Thank you, sincerely,
Christopher Torge
Zoological Professional