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Get Billy to sanctuary

1 message

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To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
Cc: abigail@vftafoundation.org

Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 8:11 AM

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Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note8, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone



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LA Zoo Release Elephant Billy to Sanctuary

1 message

Jennifer Leveque <blueprintsearch@yahoo.com>

Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 9:52 AM

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Be well, Jennifer



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Billy the Elephant/LAZoo

1 message

Rd Plasschaert <rplasschaert@yahoo.com>

Sat, Jan 27, 2018 at 4:45 AM

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Cc: abigail@vftafoundation.org

Michael,

As a past docent-in-training of LA Zoo, a past visitor of LAZoo (both curtailed for the last 10 years - since I have come to feel that the Zoo, while well intentioned-I hop is not well actioned) I urge you to take immediate action regarding Billy the Elephant, let him go to the sanctuary in Northern California that has offered to take him.

I assume I do not need to detail the distress that Billy has been evidenced going thru in his captivity at the LAZoo — if you want me to, I will send a response e-mail to you delineating that.

Being forced to live on a 1/4 acre area, in solitary conditions, when it is in the elephant nature to wander up to 100 miles a day, and have social connections — for 27 years, is animal abuse from my perspective.

I would prefer to regain a healthy admiration for the LAZoo and the animal health, welfare and stewardship it can continue to share with the world, rather than the view I've held for some time that is knowingly/unknowingly fostering and facilitating destructive practices and education to the populace at-large.

The mark of great leadership is the ability to look at one's own behavior and say, that's not efficacy, I can do this instead. I want LA, and the LAZoo to be great leaders.

Free Billy to the sanctuary. Thank you.

Rd Plasschaert



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Fwd:

1 message

David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>
To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>
Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 7:51 AM



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From: **Olimpia Marina** <olimpiamarina@optusnet.com.au>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 1:17 PM
Subject:
To: david.giron@lacity.org

It is a big concern for Australians who respect animals to know thwt animals still suffer in captivity.We demand the release of Billy and all animals kept captive.We will never stop fighting.



Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

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From: **Nancy Neel** <bayhorseone@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 1:35 PM
Subject: Bily the Elephant Release
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Council Member O'Farrell:

The following paragraph was emailed to me. I am forwarding it to you because I feel it explains my intention better than I can. Please read it and put your heart into your decision.

I am writing in support of Motion # 17-0453 calling for the release of Billy the Elephant to an accredited sanctuary. Current research demonstrates that Elephant brains and internal lives are very similar to humans, and Elephants suffer from psychological trauma in much the same way as human victims of domestic violence and war. Billy's constant head bobbing is one symptom of the devastation to his psyche caused by capture and decades of confinement (not to mention the physical damage to his body). He has served his time. The time is now to allow him the chance to heal. Please vote to Free Billy. At the very least, please vote to proceed with an independent medical evaluation of Billy's physical and psychological health.

Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

Nancy O. Neel



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Fw: Thurs.Jan 25'18 B1 Dakota Smith "LA councilmen address the elephant in the Zoo"

1 message

Elaine Livesey-Fassel <livesey-fassel@sbcglobal.net>

Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 1:50 PM

Reply-To: Elaine Livesey-Fassel <livesey-fassel@sbcglobal.net>

To: "abigail@vftafoundation.org" <abigail@vftafoundation.org>, "michael.espinosa@lacity.org" <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

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[\(310\)559-9814](tel:3105599814)



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Fwd: Billy the Elephant - L.A. Zoo

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Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 8:34 AM



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From: **Gerry Williams** <goodleaders@roadrunner.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 12:33 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant - L.A. Zoo
To: david.giron@lacity.org

I write to SUPPORT of Motion # 17-0453 to release Billy the elephant in the L.A. Zoo, to an elephant sanctuary.

Like humans, elephants are highly social animals who need and seek companionship with other animals. The fact that Billy has no companionship and hasn't had companionship for ~20 years demonstrates extreme abuse and cruelty! He is demonstrating the stress this has caused him by the repetitive actions he makes bobbing his head up and down for hours every day.

To continue keeping him at the Zoo means that those who hold him there don't care about causing abuse and cruelty to Billy.

There is a sanctuary ready and available to take him right away.

Please be compassionate and give him the freedom he needs!

At the very least, he needs an INDEPENDENT medical evaluation of his physical and mental health.

Thank you for your time and any help you can provide in this regard!

Gerry D. Williams
(805) 241-8212
3024 Potter
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360



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Fwd: Motion # 17-0453 - Kindly take a moment to read.

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Subject: Motion # 17-0453 - Kindly take a moment to read.
To: david.giron@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org

Dear Councilmembers O'Farrell & Ryu:

No animal should be imprisoned. Billy the Elephant is a prisoner confined physically, socially, and mentally. Why? Because the Los Angeles Zoo chooses to not release Billy to a reputable sanctuary where he can roam and be socially, mentally, and physically enriched.

Kindly please just take 15 mere seconds out of your busy day to stop everything and think about Billy's daily life. Take these 15 seconds and feel how long that small moment in time lasts when you stop your busy work (typing, phone calls, interruptions) and focus on what this intelligent, naturally social living thinking being is experiencing every second of every day of every week of every month of every year. It's horrifically sad.

Every single day: no movement, poor medical treatment, no mental stimulation, and no social stimulation. If a human (think of yourself) is confined, what happens mentally and physically? State and Federal convicted felons receive physical, mental, and social stimulation; they've committed horrible crimes. Why would we treat an innocent, intelligent elephant worse?

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Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,

Sincerely,
Abel Kahn

Please Free Billy From The LA Zoo

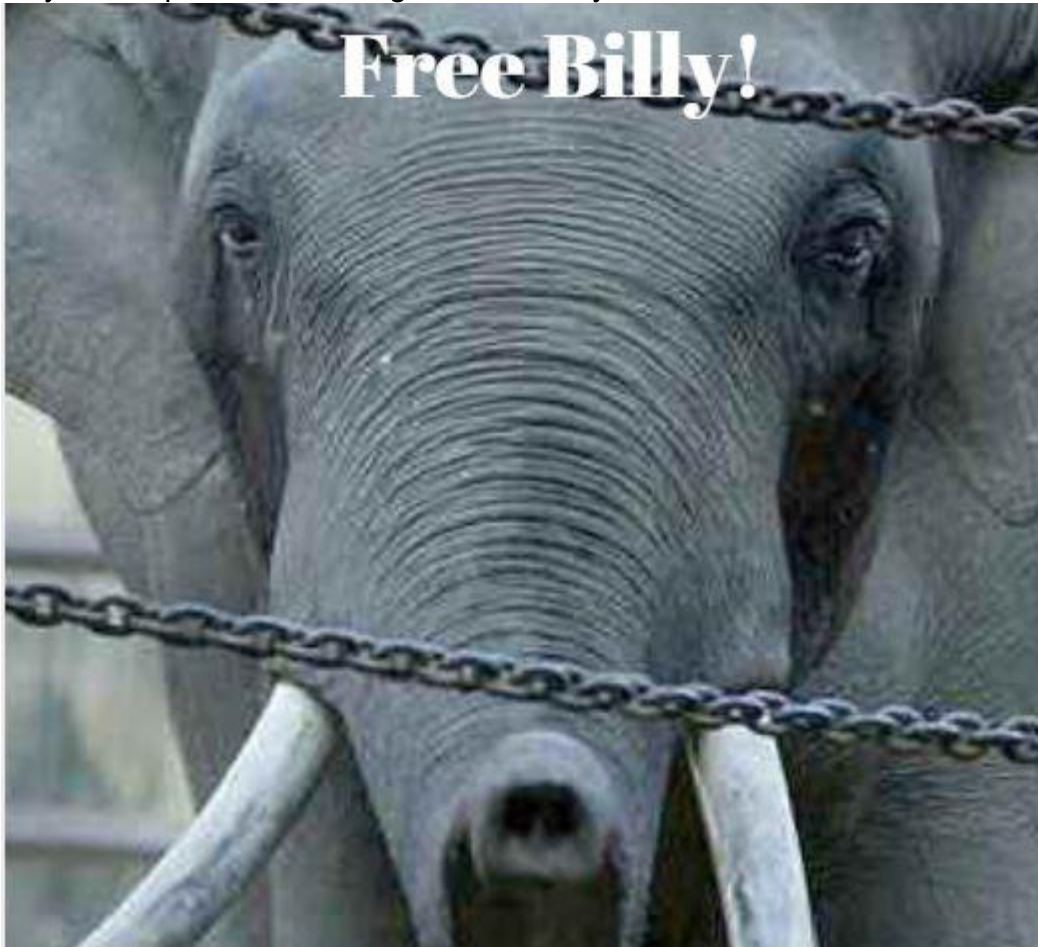
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Fwd: FREE BILLY THE ELEPHANT (PLEASE)

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To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>
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From: **Suzanne4455** <suzanne4455@aol.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:50 AM
Subject: FREE BILLY THE ELEPHANT (PLEASE)
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

I am writing in support of Motion # 17-0453 calling for the release of Billy the Elephant to an accredited sanctuary. What has been happening is simply cruel. We, as a community, are *better* than this.

As I am sure countless people have pointed out, research demonstrates that elephant brains and internal lives are very similar to humans, and elephants suffer from psychological trauma in much the same way as human victims of domestic violence and war. I have seen *National Geographic* videos which show that elephants care for each other, mourn the loss of a family member, suffer pain, have emotions, and are truly noble.,

Billy's constant head bobbing is one symptom of the devastation to his psyche caused by capture and decades of confinement (not to mention the physical damage to his body).. WE (humans) HAVE NO RIGHT TO DICTATE THAT BILLY CONTINUE TO SUFFER.

The time is now to allow him the chance to heal. Please vote to Free Billy. At the very least, please vote to proceed with an independent medical evaluation of Billy's physical and psychological health.

Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,

Sincerely,
Suzanne Robertson Brewer



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Fwd: Please help Billy!

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From: **Rudy Van Zyl** <vanzyl@me.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 12:26 PM
Subject: Please help Billy!
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

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Billy deserves a better life. We can use the elephant space for the other animals like the lions who also have very cramped quarters..

Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,
Rudy van Zyl (90068)

Rudy van Zyl
vanzyl@me.com
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Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

Fwd: Medical assessment for Billy

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From: **Kevin Carr** <kcbloos@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 10:33 PM
Subject: Medical assessment for Billy
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

Hi, David!
I'm an L.A. resident and I write in support of a medical assessment of Billy, the elephant at the L.A. Zoo.
My understanding is that living in an inadequate enclosure at said zoo may be impacting his health.
Please do the right thing and help move this along. Many thanks.
Kevin Carr
P.O. Box 1549
L.A. CA 90078

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From: **Abby Belkin** <abbybelkin@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:14 AM
Subject: Re: Medical assessment for Billy
To: Kevin Carr <kcbloos@yahoo.com>
Cc: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

Thank you!

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From: **Dana Calvo** <danascalvo@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 7:25 AM
Subject: Billy
To: david.giron@lacity.org

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Sincerely,
Dana Calvo

Sent from my iPhone

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From: **Diana Peek** <dpap32@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 12:28 PM
Subject: Billy
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

Please send Billy to a proper sanctuary. He is clearly distressed and not happy. LA zoo is not looking after him properly.

Thank you

DMP (Cyprus)

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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:36 AM
Subject: Billy
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Sincerely,

Christina Ku



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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 9:04 AM
Subject: Motion # 17-0453
To: david.giron@lacity.org

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Pamela Lee

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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:43 AM

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Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,

Sincerely,

Rosa Rodriguez



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Fwd: In Support of Motion 17-0453

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From: **Nadia Fedortsova** <nadia.fedortsova@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 12:29 PM
Subject: In Support of Motion 17-0453
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

I am writing in support of Motion # 17-0453 calling for the release of Billy the Elephant to an accredited sanctuary. Current research demonstrates that Elephant brains and internal lives are very similar to humans, and Elephants suffer from psychological trauma in much the same way as human victims of domestic violence and war. Billy's constant head bobbing is one symptom of the devastation to his psyche caused by capture and decades of confinement (not to mention the physical damage to his body). He has served his time. The time is now to allow him the chance to heal. Please vote to Free Billy. At the very least, please vote to proceed with an independent medical evaluation of Billy's physical and psychological health.

Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,

Sincerely,
Nadia Fedortsova, DrPH



Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Eloise Otoole <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 23 03:04PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Eloise Otoole

, California

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ellaweasel@yahoo.com.au

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Catherine Hart <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 23 08:07PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Catherine Hart

Temecula, California 92591

[7147910414](tel:7147910414)

bigbrownbelgian@gmail.com

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Lyn Fougere <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 23 08:19PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Lyn Fougere

Bramley River Road Osmington

Perth Western Australia, California 6285

0415993108

lfougere@bordnet.com.au

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Colin Davidson <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 24 12:28AM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Colin Davidson

, California

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colind2@adam.com.au

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Sarah Wood <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 24 02:51AM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Sarah Wood

, California

0403875343

guguk@live.com.au

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Subject: Council File #17-0453
From: Andrea Santana <webmaster@lazoo.org>
Date: Jan 24 08:12PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Andrea Santana
7841 arcola ave
Sun valley, California 91352
[8182202396](tel:8182202396)
andysantana23.as@gmail.com

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From: Pablo Serrano <info@empresas-glc.com>
Date: Jan 25 09:01AM +0100

Buenos días,

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Subject: Council File #17-0453
From: Charles Romero <webmaster@lazoo.org>
Date: Jan 25 09:50AM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Charles Romero
2681 Castillo Circle
Thousand Oaks, California 91360
[8055585775](tel:8055585775)
c.romero.email@gmail.com

Hello,

As a resident of the Los Angeles area for most of my life, and as a graduate from

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Subject: Council File #17-0453
From: "Kyle O'Dea" <webmaster@lazoo.org>
Date: Jan 25 04:39PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Kyle O'Dea

, California
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kyle_odea1785@yahoo.com

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Cynthia Lowe <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 25 05:05PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Cynthia Lowe
8957 Monte Oro Dr.
Las Vegas, Nevada 89131
[7026584472](tel:7026584472)
redlvrose@hotmail.com

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Subject: Council File #17-0453

From: Kathy Lather <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Date: Jan 25 05:34PM -0800

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Kathy Lather
167 SAN Fernando Drive
Worongary, California 04213
0407033315
kathy@lather.com.au

Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

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Fwd: Billy the Elephant at LA Zoo

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David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>
To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>
Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

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From: **Kristopher Dukes** <k@kristopherdukes.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 6:39 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant at LA Zoo
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear David,

Thank you for everything you do for the city of LA. I was born and raised in this city, and still love living here.

I'd like to ask you to support a medical assessment of Billy the elephant at LA Zoo. Living in an inadequate enclosure at the L.A. Zoo may be impacting his health and the assessment will help make a determination whether or not he should be moved to a sanctuary.

Warmest wishes,

K

KRISTOPHER DUKES .com K@KRISTOPHERDUKES.com 1.424.244.0055

Mitch O'Farrell <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>
To: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>, David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>
Cc: Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

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From: <sgalleryla@aol.com>
Date: Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 6:18 PM

Subject: Billy the Elephant at LA Zoo

To: paul.koretz@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Cc: councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org, councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, councilmember.martinez@lacity.org, Councilmember.Rodriguez@lacity.org, councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org, councilmember.wesson@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.bonin@lacity.org, councilmember.englander@lacity.org, councilmember.huizar@lacity.org, mayor.garcetti@lacity.org, councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org

Dear Council Members Koretz and O'Farrell:

I commend you on your efforts to rescue Billy the Elephant from his prison at the Los Angeles Zoo. This poor animal has a right to socialize with others of his species in large open spaces, something particularly important to these highly developed social animals.

Those who say that Billy gives children an opportunity to see and appreciate Elephants miss the point. On the contrary, the lesson children learn is that it is acceptable to confine animals for entertainment purposes. This error in judgement was one of the reasons the Ringling Barnum Bailey Circus closed. No child has ever seen a dinosaur, yet most children adore them.

I encourage your other council members to be on the right side of history and allow Billy to live out his life with other elephants in a sanctuary. (And politically, there is no large voter contingency in favor of keeping Billy at the LA Zoo.)

Sincerely,
Bernard C. Shine
Attorney at Law
Los Angeles

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With kind regards,



Mitch O'Farrell

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Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

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From: **Mitch O'Farrell** <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>
Date: Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 9:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: Council File #17-0453 (Billy the Elephant)
To: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>, David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>, Angelo Yenko <angelo.yenko@lacity.org>, Christine Peters <christine.peters@lacity.org>

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From: **Kim Gruenfelder** <Kim@kimforcongress.org>
Date: Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 2:54 PM
Subject: Council File #17-0453 (Billy the Elephant)
To: councilmember.cedillo@lacity.org, councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org, councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org, councilmember.martinez@lacity.org, councilmember.fuentes@lacity.org, councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.englander@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org, councilmember.huizar@lacity.org, councildistrict15@lacity.org, councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, paul.koretz@lacity.org, councilmember.wesson@lacity.org, councilmember.bonin@lacity.org, clerk.cps@lacity.org
Cc: info@lazoo.org

The Los Angeles Zoo has been heavily active in conservation and animal welfare efforts for decades. Their work has helped prevent the extinction of various species of animals, and done so much in order to protect the animal kingdom. They are also involved with many anti-poaching organizations to stop the hunting of a variety of animals threatened by man. This is especially true of the zoo's elephants, who are kept in one of the finest state-of-the-art enclosures in the world. The elephants are tended to by a team of wonderful scientists and experts who care deeply about them, and have decades of experience helping them thrive.

Council File #17-0453 shows no understanding of the work that the Los Angeles Zoo does for Billy the elephant. The bill would only strip Billy of the amazing care he receives. There is no scientific merit to what the animal right's movement pushing for the bill is advocating, and the City Council should not endanger Billy's health and well being by supporting it.

Kim Gruenfelder
Kim@KimForCongress.org



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With kind regards,



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Fwd: Billy the elephant

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Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

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From: **Michelle Pesce** <michellepesce@nonaentertainment.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 11:06 PM
Subject: Billy the elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

Let's stop with the insanity and show compassion. WE know better than to have any elephants in captivity, especially in a circus or zoo. PLEASE support the release of any and all elephants to live out their lives w freedom of choice in a sanctuary and stop supporting zoos taking animals from their natural habitats or breeding.

I am writing in support of Motion # 17-0453 calling for the release of Billy the Elephant to an accredited sanctuary. Current research demonstrates that Elephant brains and internal lives are very similar to humans, and Elephants suffer from psychological trauma in much the same way as human victims of domestic violence and war. Billy's constant head bobbing is one symptom of the devastation to his psyche caused by capture and decades of confinement (not to mention the physical damage to his body). He has served his time. The time is now to allow him the chance to heal. Please vote to Free Billy. At the very least, please vote to proceed with an independent medical evaluation of Billy's physical and psychological health.

Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,
Sincerely,

Michelle Pesce | nona entertainment
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From: **Ariana Muenker** <amuenker@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 10:28 PM
Subject: Billy the elephant
To: David.giron@lacity.org

Mr. Giron,

Please make a change for the better for Billy the elephant in the Los Angeles zoo. When I last saw him it was to celebrate my birthday but I left the zoo feeling very sad for his apparently despondent emotional condition. Please find a new and better suited home for that great creature.

Sincerely, Ariana Muenker
[323-461-6266](tel:323-461-6266)

Sent from my iPhone

David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>
To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>
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From: **Abby Belkin** <abbybelkin@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 7:29 PM
Subject: Billy the elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Mr. Giron,

I'm so happy to hear that Billy is being evaluated to see if a sanctuary would be a better place for him than the L.A. Zoo. I know the zoo aims to make habitable living spaces for all its denizens but as we know, all people aren't alike and neither are all elephants alike. I hope he gets the opportunity to live his life out in place of comfort and I'll be impressed that the L.A. Zoo humanely put Billy's needs before revenue.

Thank you,

Abby Belkin
Dogs Without Borders
Treasurer

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From: **Elephants L.A.** <elephantsla@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:50 AM
Subject: Billy the elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Councilman O'Farrell

Billy is an African elephant. The African elephants are Eileen and freer than even the Asian. Having spent several months in Kenya I have observed many.

They particularly need lots of room to roam and fellowship. Billy has neither. Please allow Billy to live in a true sanctuary with open spaces and feel like an elephant again.

Sincerely

Georja Umano
Elephants LA
Sent from my iPhone



Melinda Novoa <melinda.novoa@lacity .org>

Council File #17-0453100 messages

Jenny Ness <webmaster@lazoo.org>
Reply-To: NessAnimalia@gmail.com
To: clerk.cps@lacity.org, michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 3:44 PM

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Jenny Ness

, California 90077
[3235531392](tel:3235531392)
NessAnimalia@gmail.com

Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

As a lifelong Los Angeles resident and a supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo, I urge you to dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would send Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary.

Billy deserves the best care possible and he is getting it at the Los Angeles Zoo. The Elephants of Asia exhibit is state-of-the-art. Waterfalls, pools, hills, valleys, and a variety of plant life all enhance Billy's life and provide an enriched, stimulating environment and opportunities for exercise. Dedicated animal care professionals provide further mental stimulation in the forms of positive reinforcement training and behavioral enrichment. A world-class zoological veterinary team is on hand for veterinary care. Furthermore, at the LA Zoo, Billy is able to safely interact with other elephants.

Removing Billy from his home of 28 years (nearly his entire life), would be cruel. He is highly intelligent and closely bonded with his caregivers and elephant companions.

In addition to serious concerns for Billy's welfare, this proposal to relocate Billy from the LA Zoo to a "sanctuary," also raises concerns for the Asian Elephant species. Billy is an educational and inspirational ambassador for this endangered species. And, as a wild-captured elephant, Billy's genes are incredibly important. Billy's genetic contribution to the AZA's Asian Elephant Species Survival Plan could make a difference in the species' survival.

For Billy's welfare and for the survival of the Asian Elephant species, please dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jenny Ness

NessAnimalia@gmail.com

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Emily Ramirez <webmaster@lazoo.org>
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To: clerk.cps@lacity.org, michael.espinosa@lacity.org

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Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Emily Ramirez

730 Harpersville rd
Newport News, Virginia 23601
[5866103424](tel:5866103424)
emmie1562@gmail.com

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Billy's quality of care at the L.A. Zoo far surpasses that which he would receive at any sanctuary. Elephants are highly intelligent and sociable animals, and they form deep emotional bonds with their caregivers and other elephants. Billy's caregivers have known him for decades and he receives the best care possible at the L.A. Zoo. If Billy were sent to a sanctuary, the ties he has with his caregivers and fellow elephant companions would be broken. Further, any sanctuary would keep Billy separated from other elephants, since he is a bull and would not be allowed to mate.

The fact is that sanctuaries are limited in their land and financial resources, no matter their size. They do not have an accrediting organization as stringent as the AZA and they are not focused on or committed to saving animals from extinction.

At the L.A. Zoo, Billy is an ambassador for his endangered species. He is an important member of the AZA Asian elephant Species Survival Plan (SSP) and his presence at the L.A. Zoo raises awareness about his wild counterparts to the nearly 1.8 million people who visit the Zoo annually. The L.A. Zoo does a tremendous amount of conservation work and is committed to saving the thousands of species, including wild Asian elephants, that are on the verge of extinction.

I am submitting this letter because I care deeply about Billy's future as well as that of endangered wild Asian elephants. It is with this concern that I ask you NOT to approve the motion to send Billy to a sanctuary. Billy deserves the best care possible – and wild Asian elephants deserve a future.

Sincerely,

Emily Ramirez

emmie1562@gmail.com

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Armen Klujian <webmaster@lazoo.org>
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Burbank, California 91501
[8188428859](tel:8188428859)
akluj@sbcglobal.net

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Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

Fwd: Free Billy

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David



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Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 3:08 PM
Subject: Fwd: Free Billy
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From: **Patty Shenker** <pattyshenker@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 9:42 AM
Subject: Free Billy
To: councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

Happy New Year to you & your family. I hope it is a good year for all of you. I also want this year to be a good year for Billy, the poor Asian bull elephant at our LA Zoo, who has lived at our zoo for 28 years. I have been involved for many years in trying to free Billy and will not stop until he is at a sanctuary. Now seems a good time.

Billy has suffered long enough in captivity and we all know the truth/facts are that elephants suffer terribly in captivity, suffering not only from severe physical problems but also terrible psychological problems, displaying the repeated neurotic behavior of body swaying & head bobbing, which has never been seen in a wild elephant. They usually die prematurely due to these health issues. The LA Zoo has a dismal record with the captive elephants in their care.

The LA Zoo's space for elephants is still inadequate and they have just added another female. Billy, who cannot socialize with them, doesn't have the company of others nor the space the other three get. For those who just have to see elephants, no matter how they suffer, the three females should suffice! There is just no good excuse to keep Billy. I really cannot understand the zoo's insistence on keeping him when they have these other three.

Please help Billy and those of us who have fought for years to get him out of the zoo and who know the true cost of captivity for elephants and so many other captive animals.

Please support Councilmember Paul Koretz's motion to free him and let's continue to work towards a more humane City of Angels. We have passed many important ordinances to help animals and freeing Billy is an important one to do now!

I will be at the Arts, Parks and River Committee tomorrow to show my support of Koretz's motion to free Billy.

Thank you for your time & attention.

Best,

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With kind regards,



Mitch O'Farrell

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From: **James Frieden** <jfrieden@teachwithmovies.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 4:58 AM
Subject: Free Billy
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Mr. O'Farrell,

Please vote to release Billy, the elephant. My son and I went to the LA Zoo 14 years ago. Watching Billy and his repetitive movements, clear evidence of his psychological distress, made a big impression on both of us. My son, now 26 won't go to a Zoo because of it.

James Frieden 862 Fiske Street, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

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Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 11:52 PM
Subject: Free Billy
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

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Sincerely,

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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 8:04 AM
Subject: Free Billy
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 2:05 PM
Subject: Free Billy
To: david.giron@lacity.org

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Sincerely,

Christina M. Arganda

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Sincerely,

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I may not live in California but I believe by taking Billy out of the zoo and it's extremely wonderful care would be very detrimental to him! Please reconsider and let him stay where he's happy and like I said not only extremely well cared for but loved as well! Animals can feel that kind of emotion so he knows he's loved so please don't take him away from that love!!

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P.S. If he is transferred, it would be the same as a slow death sentence. He would pine, being away from everyone and everything he knows. He would lose weight and the will to live.

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I have seen Billy firsthand and the keepers watching over him. Let them do their work and please pay attention to other more pressing environmental issues in this City! Why not pick up the dried Christmas trees, clean up the river OR better yet....get the trash recycling program better service.

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As an area resident and a supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo, I urge you to dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would send Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary.

Since I have moved to Los Angeles, the zoo has been like a second home to me, and in spending such time to observe comes understanding how much everyone at this facility cares for their animals. All that I have seen with the elephants is nothing short of care and support. The Los Angeles Zoo is fully capable of caring for their animals, including their elephants.

This motion is nothing but ignorance and well-meaning cruelty. A sanctuary sounds nice on paper, yet the Los Angeles Zoo can provide better healthcare, enrichment, and social interaction than another facility. They know and understand Billy; that is not guaranteed at another facility.

There is nothing to gain as a city, by taking away its assets. The Los Angeles Zoo is one important such. It is a facility that fosters recreation, a connection to nature and wildlife, a center of conservation and education. To strip it of its collection in this manner is not only unnecessary, but against any modicum of scientific understanding. It is to take away from your own city, your constituents, and to take away aspects that make Los Angeles a city worth living in and visiting.

Sincerely,

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Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 11:57 AM

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Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

As a California resident, born in SoCal, with adult children and family living in Los Angeles County WHO VOTE, and as a supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo, I urge you to dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would send Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary.

Animal rights extremists want to eliminate all animal ownership; they are paid a great deal by HSUS, PeTA, and other multi-million dollar corporations to proselytize their belief that humans are evil and that wild creatures should stay in the wild... where they often die from lack of resources or predation.

They hate the idea of zoos, where endangered species live under loving human care, with outstanding veterinary care, and are able to reproduce and perpetuate their family lines in peace and safety.

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Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

Fwd: Billy the Elephant

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To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 3:34 PM

Hey Michael, Can you please upload the email below to the Council File?



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Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 3:10 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Hi David --

I'm writing in favor of Billy the elephant receiving a comprehensive medical assessment, to determine whether he would benefit from being moved to a sanctuary.

I am a Los Angeles resident (currently Council District 11 but previously District 13) and registered voter.

Thank you!
Jen Bravo

P.S. Please tell Mitch I said hi!

Jennifer Bravo
213-447-7571
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From: **Melanie McGeough** <mmcgeough@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 7:18 AM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
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Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

I am writing in support of Motion # 17-0453 calling for the release of Billy the Elephant to an accredited sanctuary.

As a former PR Director and trained spokesperson for Feld Entertainment, whose entertainment properties included Ringling Bros. Circus, I witnessed firsthand the distressing behaviours that resulted as a byproduct of captivity and confinement of these intelligent and majestic animals. I also saw the lengths that various companies and organizations would go to in order to try to put a positive spin on the issue of animals in captivity simply because they generated a lot of money from these animals.

It is a huge testament to the public's evolving social conscience and their lessening tolerance for this type of cruelty that caused tickets to plummet to the level it was no longer financially viable to keep the circus operational.

Billy's constant head bobbing is certainly symptom of the devastation to his psyche caused by capture and decades of confinement (not to mention the physical damage to his body). He has served his time. I implore you to allow him the chance to heal. Please vote to Free Billy. At the very least, please vote to proceed with an independent medical evaluation of Billy's physical and psychological health.

Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles.

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Sent from my iPhone

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From: **Rebecca Mellaci** <rlmellaci@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 9:14 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

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Sincerely,
Rebecca

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

David Giron <david.giron@lacity.org>
To: Cty Clerk - Michael Espinosa <Michael.Espinosa@lacity.org>
Cc: Star Parsamyan <star.parsamyan@lacity.org>

Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 9:35 AM



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Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 10:03 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

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Sincerely,

Karen Eisenlord
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From: **Nelson Cheng** <nelsonkcheng@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 9:53 PM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: david.giron@lacity.org

Dear Mr. Giron,

I just wanted to write in support of giving Billy the Elephant a medical assessment. I'm obviously in favor of him (in general) being moved to a sanctuary, but have long been struck by just how little room animals in zoos have. At the minimum, with some of the concerns raised, I think it would be reasonable to at least have some outside medical practitioners evaluate Billy and his health.

I appreciate you holding a hearing on this issue and for your attention to the care of animals.

Warmly,

Nelson Cheng
3554 Redwood Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90066

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From: **Angie Herrera** <angieherrera05@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:10 AM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

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Sincerely,

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Thank you,
Angie Herrera
(650) 281-5357
angieherrera05@gmail.com

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Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 8:50 AM



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Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 4:07 PM
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**Thank you for your service to the City of Los Angeles,
Sincerely, Christine Brancaccio**

Sent from my iPhone

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From: <jodibell@kennebell.net>
Date: Wed, Jan 24, 2018 at 10:28 AM
Subject: Billy the Elephant
To: "david.giron@lacity.org" <david.giron@lacity.org>

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

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Sincerely,

Jodi Bell

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Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

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Michael Espinosa <michael.espinosa@lacity.org>

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Justin Espin <webmaster@lazoo.org>
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To: clerk.cps@lacity.org, michael.espinosa@lacity.org

Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 8:22 PM

Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Justin Espin

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This e-mail was sent from a contact form on Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens (<http://www.lazoo.org>)

Nicole Leslie <webmaster@lazoo.org>

Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 8:31 PM

Reply-To: lesli103@mail.chapman.edu
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Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

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Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

Carla Mettrick
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Brownsville, Texas

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Brianne McKinsey <webmaster@lazoo.org>
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Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 9:26 PM

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Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

Please don't send Billy away from his home (and ours).

I grew up in LA going to the LA Zoo, as I am sure many of you did as well. I know that it inspired me - and millions of others like me - to think about my place in the world.

Don't let a small group of misinformed activists take away our zoo and the hard work of its staff. I can't imagine Billy receiving better care at an unaccredited rescue facility, nor can I imagine him being happier or more stimulated as an isolated bull elephant (since sanctuaries don't breed elephants). Isolating him would not only hurt his psyche, it would hurt his species.

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Otherwise, please stop wasting our taxpayer money and time.

Sincerely,

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I live in the UK and am appalled by your plans to remove Billy from his home. Put quite simply, this is animal cruelty in its cruelest form. I am not an animal welfare activist and have never signed a petition in the past, but I have never come across an action as cruel and unnecessary as this.

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I've worked at both zoos and sanctuaries. They have one thing in common: people who love the animals and are passionate about their welfare. Almost without exception, the people I've worked alongside were tireless in their efforts to care for the creatures entrusted to them.

The main differences: Sanctuaries have lower standards for accreditation and tend to have far fewer resources.

I still have great admiration and respect for my sanctuary colleagues, but most of them, like myself, eventually left the setting because they were heartsick at never being able to do enough.

At the L.A. Zoo, the animals receive fresh produce daily and their diets are determined by professionals trained in the field of animal nutrition, not dictated by what donations were able to be scrounged up that day. The zoo has a full veterinary staff on hand, state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment, and so on.

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Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

I am a life long resident of Los Angeles. I used to be a member of GLAZA - I love the animals at the LA zoo.

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I am sure the person who proposed this "means well" but I also feel they are ill informed - this is NOT in the best interest of Billy the elephant - it is some idealistic and foolish imposition of opinion on the life of an animal who has lived in one home with one set of "family". Ripping him away from his familiar life is beyond cruel.

Please stop this proposal. PLEASE.

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I deeply believe in everything that follows in this message. On top of that I will state that I have been a zookeeper for 15 years and I understand not only the dedication that goes into the care of these animals but the greater purpose everyone and every animal in the zoo field serves to save these species from their brink existence. Without zoos dedicating their funding,, research, and personal connection these animals don't stand a chance in the wild. So they do right thing and support your local connection to the wild.

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Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

I was one of Joshua Sisk's teachers who is now the lead mammals curator at the LA zoo and personally know of his great compassion, care and stewardship of his animals he has worked with over the past 23 years. He has been working at conservation and species restoration and preservation in zoological parks the past 3 decades. The uninformed and misinformed public are not zoologists biologists or field conservationists and do not want to understand the important species preservation work ex-situ facilities like the LA Zoo and dozens like it around the world do, they are responsible for saving the California Condor, Arabian Oryx, Prezwalskis Horse and Bongo to name a few, The Malaysian elephant habitat is critically endangered and Billy's genetic link and research needs to be preserved and the zoo will insure this throughout his life.

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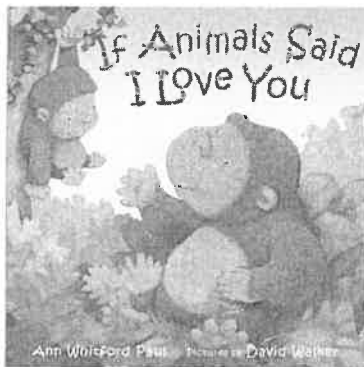
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Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

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With appreciation for your consideration.

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