

## **REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453**

1 message

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Thu, Jul 19, 2018 at 8:01 AM

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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.

# "saving one animal wont change the world, but it will change the world for that one animal!"

Sincerely, Mary Wynne

"Until one has loved an animal, a part of ones soul remains unawakened"

>^..^< Compassion over Cruelty >^..^<
You've got everything it takes
but its gonna take everything you got!</pre>

"If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito."



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1 message

noah mayer <nprmayer@gmail.com> Thu, Jul 19, 2018 at 12:54 PM To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org, david.ryu@lacity.org, paul.koretz@lacity.org, councilmember.price@lacity.org, councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org

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

I am a Los Angeles native and as my representatives I am asking you to 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. We are living in a word filled with such political strife and hate. Why not use the power you have in politics to help spread love within our community. If one is suffering we are all suffering. Take a stand, set an example, and show the world that Los Angeles is head of the curve. Thank you.

Best,

Noah Mayer



## **REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453**

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#### Michal Rosenthal <dr\_michali@yahoo.com>

Thu, Jul 19, 2018 at 2:09 PM 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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Thank you for your time and consideration, Michal Rosenthal



## **BILLY REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453**

1 message

#### wendy bryan michaels <wendy4ele@hotmail.com>

Fri, Jul 20, 2018 at 9:31 AM 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" councilmember.price@lacity.org "councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org" <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

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WENDY BRYAN

SANTA MONICA, CA.



### City Council File #17-0453 - Please support the motion

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Thu, Jul 19, 2018 at 4:22 PM

Dear Member of the Los Angeles Arts, Parks and River Committee:

I urge you to support the motion that will release Billy the elephant to a Sanctuary.

Billy was born in 1985. He was torn away from his mother, his group and his home in the jungles of Malaysia as a little boy.

Billy was taken to our LA Zoo, where he has remained imprisoned for 30 lonely, miserable, pain-filled years.

Humans consider abducting children as a crime. Humans consider solitary confinement as a torture and punishment. Obviously, we understand how extremely traumatic and debilitating, mentally and physically it is.

Billy the elephant as feelings, intelligence, desires, social needs and a right to a free life just like we do, even if we choose to ignore or deny it.

We have taken everything from Billy: his family, his freedom, his health.

Please send Billy to a Sanctuary so he can finally and for the rest of his life enjoy a measure of freedom and privacy.

Please support the City Council File #17-0453 motion. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Graciela Iparraguirre (323) 654-1249



### **REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453**

2 messages

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Jul 19, 2018

Mr. Michael Espinosa

Dear Mr. Espinosa,

Billy the elephant has lived at the Los Angeles Zoo for nearly 30 years, since he was taken as a youngster from his natural environment in Malaysia. For most of this time, he has endured living all by himself in an extremely tiny enclosure. As a result, he has displayed significant signs of stress, such as swaying and rocking side to side and head-bobbing due to frustration, boredom and possibly depression.

Elephants naturally need to roam several miles a day to maintain healthy joints and feet. They are also highly intelligent, sensitive, and social animals who need to be engaged by their surroundings in order to be happy. Billy has none of this.

I am not alone in being worried that Billy will face the same fate as his predecessors at the Los Angeles Zoo, who died prematurely due to conditions elephants often acquire while living in enclosed and cramped quarters.

The Los Angeles Zoo promised to close down the old elephant exhibit and build a bigger, better enclosure for Billy that would be more like his natural environment. But even after the renovations, Billy is still being kept in a tiny area separate from the other elephants. He still displays the same repetitive swaying and head-bobbing behavior that demonstrates his stress, boredom, and depression. Simply rotating the elephants from one small area to another does not give them enough exercise.

This new "state-of-the-art" elephant exhibit is not at all what the L.A. Zoo promised it would be. It seems to me that the new exhibit was built more to impress paying visitors than to meet Billy's needs. I feel betrayed and lied to by the Los Angeles Zoo, and I'm still very much concerned about the fate of Billy.

Please free Billy and send him to an elephant sanctuary.

Sincerely,

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