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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(15) Nay(1) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 11/28/2017

Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 12/03/2017

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 17-1040

Agenda Date: 12/07/2017

Item Number: 4

Summary: Echo Park Neighborhood Council (EPNC) supports CF 17-1040, declaring the City of Los Angeles as a City of Sanctuary. This designation of Los Angeles promotes public trust and cooperation by ensuring that all residents feel comfortable engaging with public safety agencies and accessing public health services and benefit programs. EPNC further encourages the City to work with the Los Angeles Unified School District to ensure that this city-wide sanctuary status incorporate a safety net for parents or students detained by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement by providing proactive assistance and access to district and City information resources regarding, but not limited to, bond relief and legal representation. EPNC also urges the City to promote this policy to public and private sectors throughout the city, encouraging them to take similar pledges of protection and support for all residents. Finally, EPNC asks that the City consider establishing an ordinance to reinforce Mayor Garcetti's Executive Directive 20.

# ECHO PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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## Community Impact Statement (CIS) Council File 17-1040

Declare Los Angeles a Sanctuary City

November 28, 2017



CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD  
COUNCIL  
APRIL 16, 2002

To: Honorable City Council, Los Angeles City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, room 395, Los Angeles, CA 90012 c/o Office of the City Clerk. The Echo Park Neighborhood Council (EPNC) is requesting that the following Community Impact Statement (CIS) be attached to City Council File 17-1040.

On November 28, 2017, with a quorum of 16, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act-noticed meeting and with a vote of 15 yeas, 1 nay, and 0 abstentions, to submit this CIS to support declaring Los Angeles a City of Sanctuary, with additional suggestions for city actions delineated in the summary, designed to support all its citizens, regardless of immigration status.

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Because a person is not a piece of paper, Echo Park Neighborhood Council (EPNC) declares its solidarity with and pledges our support to all our neighbors, regardless of immigration status, who contribute every day to the economic well being of Echo Park and the City of Los Angeles, whose children are our future, and whose welfare and safety are our civic responsibility.

EPNC objects to the persecution and exploitation of the most vulnerable among us. EPNC supports the necessity of Special Order 40 and the Mayor's Executive Directive 20, which foster a welcoming and supportive environment to all, regardless of immigration status, prohibit the collection of personal data absent a legal requirement to do so, and prevent law enforcement officials from detaining anyone solely due to immigration status.

In keeping with our stated values (see attached Welcome Resolution), EPNC supports CF-17-1040 and agrees that Los Angeles should proudly declare itself a ***City of Sanctuary***, committed to protect the rights of all our residents regardless of immigration status, and to do so publicly, so that those individuals and their families now under siege can take comfort in the knowledge that their neighbors stand behind them in deed and in word.

Following the example of several cities across the country, and the state of California, officially declaring Los Angeles to be a City of Sanctuary would send a clear message that would reverberate through California and beyond that this city welcomes and serves all, and believes adamantly in the safety and human rights of every inhabitant, regardless of immigration status.

Respectfully,



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Tad Yenawine,  
Chair, Echo Park Neighborhood Council



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### Resolución de la Junta de Gobernadores

Aprobado el 25 de julio de 2017

Por un voto de 12 ayes - 0 no - 0 abstenciones

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### Echo Park da la bienvenida y promete proteger la diversidad y los derechos de todos

*Echo Park es una comunidad diversa que les da la bienvenida a los recién llegados de todas las culturas y países. Damos la bienvenida a todas las razas, edades, sistemas de creencias, subculturas, identidades de género, preferencias sexuales, habilidades y estructuras familiares.*

*Creemos que no importa nuestro origen, historia, creencia o antecedentes. Podemos trabajar y prosperar juntos porque nuestras diferencias nos hacen más fuertes. Les damos la bienvenida a todos como vecinos, y anticipamos lograr juntos.*

*Como una comunidad, creemos que se necesita ser disponible el uno para el otro para el consuelo mutuo, el socorro, el apoyo y la protección.*

*Sean inmigrantes o refugiados, ricos o pobres, jóvenes o viejos, hombres o mujeres, el Concilio Vecinal de Echo Park estará a sus lados como un recurso. Nos comprometemos a dirigirles a los servicios y las organizaciones que pueden ayudarles a llevar una vida libre de la necesidad, del miedo y de la intolerancia.*

*Al mismo tiempo, los invitamos a luchar con nosotros para crear una comunidad donde todos se sientan seguros y que tengan la oportunidad de seguir una vida feliz, pacífica y satisfactoria.*

*Echo Park les da la bienvenida y les abraza.*

*Esta declaración, firmada y aprobada por unanimidad por el Concilio Vecinal de Echo Park, afirma que cualquiera que sea su historia, su experiencia, o su estado único, les daremos la bienvenida como nuestros vecinos y les tratamos como amigos.*

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### Board of Governors Resolution

Passed July 25, 2017

By a vote of 12 ayes - 0 nays – 0 abstentions

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### **Echo Park Welcomes All and Pledges to Protect Diversity and Rights**

*Echo Park is a diverse community that welcomes newcomers from all cultures and countries. We welcome people of all races, ages, belief systems, subcultures, gender identities, sexual preferences, abilities, and family structures.*

*We believe that no matter our origin, history, belief, or background, we can work and thrive together because our differences make us stronger. We welcome you as our neighbor, and look forward to what we can accomplish together.*

*As a community, we believe we need to be available to each other for mutual comfort, succor, support and protection.*

*Whether you are an immigrant or refugee, rich or poor, young or old, male or female, the Echo Park Neighborhood Council will stand by you as a resource. We pledge to direct you to services and organizations that can help you lead a life free of want, fear and intolerance.*

*We in turn invite you to work with us to create a community where everyone feels safe and has the opportunity to pursue a happy, peaceful, fulfilling life.*

*Echo Park welcomes and embraces you.*

*This statement, approved unanimously by the Echo Park Neighborhood Council, affirms that, whatever your background, experience, or unique status is—we will welcome you as our neighbor and treat you as a friend.*

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