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**Subject: Council File Number: 17-1422
Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance
(CPC-2017-3136-CA, ENV-2017-3137-MND)**

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The Mid City West Community Council, an official Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles, requests that the following Community Impact Statement be attached/added to Council File 17-1422 regarding a proposed Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance (CPC-2017-3136-CA, ENV-2017-3137-MND) with the following motion:

We, the Mid City West Community Council SUPPORT adopting Council File Number 17-1422, a proposed Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance for the City of Los Angeles.

Los Angeles is experiencing a crisis in the number of our fellow Angelenos suffering homelessness. While the problem is regional as well as local, the City of Los Angeles needs to do all it can to help those suffering homelessness access services and shelters in the short-term as well as find ways to transition them to becoming housed in the long-term. Permanent Supportive Housing has been proven to be a crucial, and extremely effective, step in the housing of those suffering from homelessness, and as such the City of Los Angeles should do what it can to help more Permanent Supportive Housing units be built.

The proposed Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance would make it easier and less expensive to build permanent supportive

housing while respecting our existing zoning, land use, and built environment. This is crucially important as it is harder to finance and built Permanent Supportive Housing as opposed to market-rate housing.

This Community Impact Statement was voted on as a properly agendized item during the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting on December 12, 2017, and passed unanimously by a vote of 21 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstaining and directed that a Community Impact Statement be filed reflecting its position.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact us via email at sepstein@midcitywest.org, mberker@midcitywest.org, or knakata@midcitywest.org as needed.

Sincerely,

Scott Epstein
Chair
Mid City West Community Council

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