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Fwd: Letter of Opposition to California Senate Bill 827!

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On Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 10:34:47 AM UTC-7, Monique McLurkin wrote:

Dear Assemblymember Bloom, Senator Mitchell, and Members of the California Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing (cc staff),

I write to **OPPOSE California Senate Bill 827**, which would exempt residential development projects within a ½ mile radius of a major transit stop or a ¼ mile radius of a high-quality transit corridor from a variety of existing controls related to height, parking, density, and floor area ratio.

SB 827's arbitrary state infringement into local land use and planning policy flies in the face of time-honored traditions of transparency and community engagement, and would wreak havoc on city infrastructure, affordability, diversity, equity, and the environment. It would eviscerate local input in land use decisions; moot the City's current efforts to update community plans and a general plan tailored to the geographic, demographic, socioeconomic, and environmental needs of Los Angeles; and would actually work *against* some of our local initiatives to create more affordable housing.

Regions, cities, towns, and neighborhoods are unique, and the responsible stewardship of our communities requires thoughtful planning and land use policy integrating local input and expertise.

SB 827's 'one size fits all / top down' approach is at odds with its stated goals, and the bill should be withdrawn without delay.

I have grown up on this block and purchased the duplex across the street from my parents who still live in my childhood home along with my mom's sister who lives downstairs. My sister and her family lives downstairs from us. I would hope to continue this tradition of having my kids live on the same block. Please don't ruin this beautiful neighborhood with ugly box apartments that we already have too many of.

Sincerely,

Monique McLurkin, [1067 South Ogden Drive LA 90019](#)

