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February 13, 2018

To: Honorable Herb J. Wesson – Los Angeles City Council President; Councilmember, District 10
Holly J. Mitchell – California State Senator, District 30

**OPPOSITION to California Senate Bill 827 ([SB827](#)) and
SUPPORT for Los Angeles City Council Resolution (CF [18-0002-S13](#))**

Dear Senator Mitchell and Council President Wesson,

During the February 12, 2018 meeting of Neighbors United, Faircrest Heights' neighborhood association, attendees approved a motion to **OPPOSE California Senate Bill 827** (SB827, Wiener), 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 density, floor area ratio, parking, and height limitations.

As Council President Wesson knows, Faircrest Heights has a longstanding record of civic engagement and is proud to be a part of an active network of residents, neighborhood associations, neighborhood and community councils, and other groups across the city who have worked closely with City Councilmembers and other local and state officials to shepherd and shape the future of our city responsibly. Arbitrary state infringement into local land use and planning policy (as proposed by SB 827) would fly in the face of Los Angeles' strong traditions of community engagement, thoughtful planning, and responsible stewardship of our great city. We hereby:

- Thank Councilmember Ryu for proposing a [resolution](#) to oppose SB827 (see Council File [18-0002-S13](#));
- Ask Rules, Elections & Intergovernmental Relations Committee members (Wesson, Huizar, Harris-Dawson) and other City Councilmembers to stand strongly in opposition to SB827 and to call on colleagues across the city and state to vigorously oppose SB827; and
- Ask Senator Mitchell to advocate that SB827 be withdrawn.

Please, protect local authority related to land use and planning issues. Vigorously OPPOSE SB827 and encourage that the bill be withdrawn.

With appreciation for your responsiveness and leadership on this issue,

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Laura Anderson
President, Neighbors United

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Traci Considine
Land Use Committee Chair, Neighbors United

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