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LA FUR BAN

9 messages

From: Mahealani Schneider <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org **At:** Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:15 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am a proud resident of Los Angeles and I am writing in support of Councilmember Blumenfield and Councilmember Koretz's proposed ban on the manufacture and sale of fur in our city. Fur products, whether from animals on fur farms or those trapped in the wild are a result of a cruel and inhumane industry. If we consider ourselves a progressive city of animal lovers, we cannot support their unnecessary suffering simply for the sake of fur. This legislation is line with my values and this city's values.

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By putting an end to the sale of fur in our city, we would encourage creativity and alternatives. Los Angeles is a city of innovation, it is not a city that tolerates archaic and cruel practices even for the sake of the "livelihoods" of a few individuals who refuse to evolve to a changing marketplace.

It is time for us to join San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood and send a message that fur is over. I urge you to vote yes on this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Mahealani Schneider mustbethemani@gmail.com 402 Opihikao Place Honolulu , Hawaii 96835

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From: Eduardo Sandoval <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:17 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood.

I have serious concerns about the inhumane treatment of animals on fur farms. The fur that is sold within our city comes from sentient beings who suffer and experience pain. We cannot continue to tolerate an industry that profits off this kind cruelty for such trivial ends in an era where science is showing us that animals have complex emotional lives.

We have the ability to make a wide variety of alternatives, even eco-friendly fashion made from recycled materials. Many of fashion's top designers are dropping fur from their collections, including Gucci, Michael Kors and Jimmy Choo.

Los Angeles has the opportunity to make a clear statement to the rest of the world that the confinement, torture and brutal killing for fur will not be tolerated. The fur industry has no place in our city. I therefore urge you to vote yes for a Fur Free LA.

Eduardo Sandoval steelernation4884@sbcglobal.net 2500 Hill st Huntington park, California 90255

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From: Raul Beltran <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:33 AM

Michael Espinosa,

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Raul Beltran
raulbeltranb@aol.com
1039 E Hyde park Blvd
Inglewood , California 90302

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From: Margot Van slyke <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org **At:** Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:46 AM

Michael Espinosa,

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our city. I therefore urge you to vote yes for a Fur Free LA.

Margot Van slyke gomar.v.s.76@gmail.com Rue de la Mairie Saugueville , Normandie 76550

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From: Charlotte Williams <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 9:29 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood.

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Charlotte Williams crw1066@gmail.com Ashbourn way Cardiff, Wales Cf145ey 5/9

From: Laura Roberts <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 9:29 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

Although I am a resident of Canada I am writing in support of Councilmember Blumenfield and Councilmember Koretz's proposed ban on the manufacture and sale of fur in our city. Fur products, whether from animals on fur farms or those trapped in the wild are a result of a cruel and inhumane industry. If we consider ourselves a progressive city of animal lovers, we cannot support their unnecessary suffering simply for the sake of fur. This legislation is line with my values and this city's values.

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Sincerely,

Laura Roberts
laurarbone1@gmail.com
710 Nesslin Crescent
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7J4V3

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From: Alycia Gillespie <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 10:37 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood.

This is such a heinous act that this is even allowed its barbaric! We have come so far as humans let's not result to this atrocity!

I have serious concerns about the inhumane treatment of animals on fur farms. The fur that is sold within our city comes from sentient beings who suffer and experience pain. We cannot continue to tolerate an industry that profits off this kind cruelty for such trivial ends in an era where science is showing us that animals have complex emotional lives.

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Alycia Gillespie alyeg@outlook.com 303 windy hill rd Dripping springs, Texas 78620

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From: Frederika Dumais <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 12:14 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and

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Frederika Dumais frederika1986@gmail.com 9135 Leander Place Beverly Hills, California 90210

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From: Josh Studinski <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 1:59 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am a proud resident of Los Angeles and I am writing in support of Councilmember Blumenfield and Councilmember Koretz's proposed ban on the manufacture and sale of fur in our city. Fur products, whether from animals on fur farms or those trapped in the wild are a result of a cruel and inhumane industry. If we consider ourselves a progressive city of animal lovers, we cannot support their unnecessary suffering simply for the sake of fur. This legislation is line with my values and this city's values.

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Sincerely,

Josh Studinski joshstudinski@gmail.com 4130 W Martin Drive Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208

I would be beyond proud if LA became fur free! Bring on the faux fur!

1 message

From: Chelsea Richter <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 1:41 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

The fact that there is still the unnecessary suffering of animals for fur fashion is deplorable, whether the animal involved is a cat, a dog, a coyote, a fox or a mink.

Opinion polls throughout the world continually show high levels of public disapproval of fur. This ban gives us an excellent opportunity to close our city to the cruel, unnecessary, outdated fur trade, and lead the way by making LA the fourth and largest city to ban the sale and manufacture of fur.

There can be no guarantee that the products offered for sale in our city, yet produced elsewhere are "humane."

Please vote YES for the LA Fur Ban and use your voice for positive change to make LA a more humane city.

Bring on the faux fur while saving our precious fur babies.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Diane

Chelsea Richter misschelseadiane@gmail.com 42630 66th street west Lancaster , California 93536

Stop unnecessary animal suffering

1 message

From: Heather Troppy <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 1:25 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

The fact that there is still the unnecessary suffering of animals for fur fashion is deplorable, whether the animal involved is a cat, a dog, a coyote, a fox or a mink.

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Please vote YES for the LA Fur Ban and use your voice for positive change to make LA a more humane city.

Sincerely,

Heather Troppy

Heather Troppy hthrtroppy2@gmail.com Red river Lewisville, Texas 75077

Help Make LA Fur Free

1 message

From: Justine Garcia <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 12:53 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to ask you to support the ban on the manufacture and sale of fur products in the city of Los Angeles. I was proud and excited to hear that the city is considering a ban on the sale of products from an extremely cruel and inhumane industry.

As you may already know, there is much evidence obtained by various animal welfare groups demonstrating cruel treatment suffered by animals such as foxes, rabbits, and mink. Many of our city's imports are from countries where animal welfare is not protected, and unfortunately we see similar violations even in countries with animal welfare laws. There can be no guarantee that the products offered for sale in our city, yet produced elsewhere are "humane." Animals across the industry are are kept in tiny cages their entire lives and go insane from boredom and stress. Other animals like coyotes are trapped in the wild where they are separated from their children and endure days of suffering before they shot or bludgeoned to death.

Other California cities such as West Hollywood, Berkley and San Francisco already have bans in place. Los Angeles will be the largest City yet to have such a ban in place. As a fashion city we would be setting an example to the rest of the country and the world.

Thank you again for your strength to stand up for these animals and to work on behalf of our city. I also urge that all members of the city council vote in favor of the measure when the time comes.

Sincerely, Justine Garcia

Justine Garcia justine.garcia4@gmail.com 10914 Lemay st North Hollywood , California 91606

BAN FUR!

1 message

From: Cristy DuRoss <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 10:59 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

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Please vote YES for the LA Fur Ban and use your voice for positive change to make LA a more humane city.

Sincerely,

Cristy DuRoss cristyduross@gmail.com 9121 Locarno Drive Dallas, Texas 75243

BAN FUR

1 message

From: Denise Guimarais <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 10:55 AM

Michael Espinosa,

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Sincerely,

Denise Guimarais caterpillargreen2013@gmail.com 2316 Oregon Street Racine, Wisconsin 53405

Free LA of Furr

1 message

From: David Lamb <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 10:27 AM

Michael Espinosa,

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Sincerely,

David Lamb

David Lamb dlamb8819@outlook.com 8231 deauville dr Huntington Beach , California 92646

Fur Ban

1 message

From: Sarah Robinson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 10:16 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to ask you to support the ban on the manufacture and sale of fur products in the city of Los Angeles.

Please, watch the videos that are difficult to watch, educate yourself. I'm the wife of a professional basketball player, former broadcast news professional. We are well connected and are doing what we can to spread the word.

We are watching, and hope that you will consider the violations that are occurring. Let's be an example to many, let's be the leaders in what's right. Let's make the world as it should be. Especially in our vanity focused city, let's show a soul that we can be proud of.

Sincerely,

Sarah

Sarah Robinson srhawaii@hotmail.com 1906 Mikinda Ct Whittier, California 90603

Please read this and let it feel with your heart

1 message

From: Jacqueline Holly <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 9:14 AM

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Sincerely, Jacqueline

Jacqueline Holly xJacquelinehollyx@gmail.com 4637 Temescal Canyon Rd Corona, California 92883

Los Angeles Legislation

1 message

From: Jo Smith <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org **At:** Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:44 AM

Michael Espinosa,

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Please vote YES for the LA Fur Ban and use your voice for positive change to make LA a more humane city.

Sincerely,

Jo Smith sammyjp6@yahoo.com 5428 Antioch dr Merriam, Kansas 66202

We need to stop the torture

1 message

From: Grecia Gutiérrez <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:20 AM

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Sincerely,

Grecia Gutiérrez sandoval.grecia@yahoo.com 2500 Hill st Huntington park, California 90255

Please ban the cruel practices of the fur industry

1 message

From: Dayna Corbitt <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:08 AM

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Sincerely,

Dayna Corbitt weedayna@hotmail.com 4128 Sunnyside Ave Brookfield, Illinois 60513

We need to band this KIND OF SUFFERING ITS NOT OKAY!

1 message

From: Maria Sanchez <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:06 AM

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Sincerely,

Maria Sanchez lorenasanchez849@gmail.com 1400 sw 104th st mustang , Texas 74064

Save fur!

1 message

From: Riris Barasa <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org At: Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:03 AM

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Sincerely,

Riris Barasa riris.barasa@gmail.com Jl. Jalur Sutera Bar. Kota Tangerang, Banten 15143

LA FUR BAN

1 message

From: Maxwell Colonna-Dashwood <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Thu, Sep 13, 2018 at 3:07 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood.

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Maxwell Colonna-Dashwood maxwell@colonnacoffee.com Chapel Row Bath, England BA1 1HN

LA FUR BAN

2 messages

From: Natalie Elisabeth Gibson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Wed, Sep 12, 2018 at 9:44 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

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Sincerely,

Natalie Elisabeth Gibson natalieegibson@yahoo.com 408 W Sycamore St Rogers, Arkansas 72756

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From: Kristine Sucharski <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org **At:** Wed, Sep 12, 2018 at 2:56 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to ban the manufacture and sale of fur in the City of Los Angeles, joining other progressive, forward-thinking cities like San Francisco, Berkeley, and West Hollywood.

I have serious concerns about the inhumane treatment of animals on fur farms. The fur that is sold within our city comes from sentient beings who suffer and experience pain. We cannot continue to tolerate an industry that profits off this kind cruelty for such trivial ends in an era where science is showing us that animals have complex emotional lives.

We have the ability to make a wide variety of alternatives, even eco-friendly fashion made from recycled materials. Many of fashion's top designers are dropping fur from their collections, including Gucci, Michael Kors and Jimmy Choo.

Los Angeles has the opportunity to make a clear statement to the rest of the world that the confinement, torture and brutal killing for fur will not be tolerated. The fur industry has no place in our city. I therefore urge you to vote yes for a Fur Free LA.

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LA Fur Ban

1 message

From: Chelsee Damas <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org **At:** Wed, Sep 12, 2018 at 10:14 AM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

The fact that there is still the unnecessary suffering of animals for fur fashion is deplorable, whether the animal involved is a cat, a dog, a coyote, a fox or a mink.

Opinion polls throughout the world continually show high levels of public disapproval of fur. This ban gives us an excellent opportunity to close our city to the cruel, unnecessary, outdated fur trade, and lead the way by making LA the fourth and largest city to ban the sale and manufacture of fur.

There can be no guarantee that the products offered for sale in our city, yet produced elsewhere are "humane."

Please vote YES for the LA Fur Ban and use your voice for positive change to make LA a more humane city.

Sincerely,

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Why fur when we have plants and wool?

1 message

From: Audrey Plamondon <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>

To: michael.espinosa@lacity.org
At: Tue, Sep 11, 2018 at 2:11 PM

Michael Espinosa,

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

Even though I am not a United States citizen, but a close neighbor of yours, I am deeply concerned about the ban on fur, everywhere on this planet. I am writing to ask you to support the ban on the manufacture and sale of fur products in the city of Los Angeles. It is such a big step forward that the city is considering a ban on the sale of products from an extremely cruel and inhumane industry. We need to conjugate all our efforts to make this world a better place for everyone and everything, animals included. Why choose fur instead of durable fabrics made of linen or cotton, for example? It must not be a choice anymore.

As you may already know, there is much evidence obtained by various animal welfare groups demonstrating cruel treatment suffered by animals such as foxes, rabbits, and mink. Many of LA city's imports are from countries where animal welfare is not protected, and unfortunately we see similar violations even in countries with animal welfare laws. There can be no guarantee that the products offered for sale in the city, yet produced elsewhere are "humane." Animals across the industry are are kept in tiny cages their entire lives and go insane from boredom and stress. Other animals like coyotes are trapped in the wild where they are separated from their children and endure days of suffering before they shot or bludgeoned to death.

Other California cities such as West Hollywood, Berkley and San Francisco already have bans in place. Los Angeles will be the largest City yet to have such a ban in place. As a fashion city, it would be setting an example to the rest of the country and the world.

Thank you again for your strength to stand up for these animals and to work on behalf of LA city. I also urge that all members of the city council vote in favor of the measure when the time comes.

Sincerely,

Audrey Plamondon 27 years-old French Canadian woman

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