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There is a homelessness crisis in the state of California and in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2018 Point-in-time Homeless Count, there are approximately 31,516 homeless individuals in the City of Los Angeles. There are approximately 23,000 unsheltered homeless individuals in the City.

Council District 5 is proposing a site at 741 Gayley Avenue to be evaluated for the Crisis and Bridge Housing program. The property is privately owned by Chabad of Westwood and there is an existing building at the site.

In order to best address the problem of homelessness in the City, and help homeless individuals make the transition to stable housing, homeless shelter bed capacity should be expanded Citywide.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, the Bureau of Engineering, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and any other affected City stakeholders, to evaluate the property at 741 Gayley Avenue to determine if the property is suitable for development as a crisis and bridge housing facility.

I FURTHER MOVE that if the property is determined to be suitable for development as crisis and bridge housing facility, the City Council instruct the City Homeless Coordinator to coordinate with the Los Angeles County to identify funds for operations at the sites, including, but not limited to County Measure H revenue.

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