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Public Safety Committee of the  
Los Angeles City Council  
200 N. Spring Street, Room 430  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: SUPPORT Wildland-Urban Interface Hazard Mitigation  
Task Force (CF 18-1120)

Dear Chairwoman Rodriguez and Honorable Committee Members:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents 43 homeowner and resident associations with approximately 250,000 constituents spanning the Santa Monica Mountains. Virtually all of our member organizations and their constituents are situated within or are very near a state-designated Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Wildfire hazard mitigation is at the core of the Hillside Federation's mission "to protect the property and the quality of life of the residents of the Santa Monica Mountains and other hillside areas of Los Angeles and its environs . . ."

Fire safety issues are a constant for Los Angeles's many hillside residents. The Hillside Federation closely follows developments regarding wildfire risk and prevention, actively advocates at the local and state level to advance legislation to better protect hillside areas and residents, and frequently communicates with our members on fire safety.

The Hillside Federation strongly supports creation of the proposed Wildland-Urban Interface Hazard Mitigation Task Force, and as suggested by Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council's action to support the motion, we respectfully request the right to participate on the task force as an external community partner in order to communicate our constituents' experiences and concerns directly to participating City and other agencies.

Sincerely,

*Charley Mims*  
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President, Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc.

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Oak Forest Canyon Assn.  
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Residents of Beverly Glen  
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Shadow Hills Property Owners  
Sherman Oaks HO Assn.  
Silver Lake Heritage Trust  
Studio City Residents Assn.  
Sunset Hills Homeowners Assn.  
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