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Summary: The Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS the 9 September motion by CMs Buscaino, Bonin, Cedillo, Lee, Martinez, Ryu, and Wesson to encourage the governor to declare a state of emergency with respect to homelessness in California.

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**To:** City Council and Committees

**Re:** CF 19-0002-S172: State of Emergency / Homelessness in the State of California

The Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council (CHNC) **SUPPORTS** the 9 September motion by CMs Buscaino, Bonin, Cedillo, Lee, Martinez, Ryu, and Wesson to encourage Governor Newsom to declare a state of emergency with respect to homelessness in California.

At least 36,000 Angelenos are experiencing homelessness---more people than live in [60% of the nation's counties](#). CHNC represents a [plurality](#) of all unhoused people in Council Districts 4 and 13---over 600 stakeholders, or roughly 3% to 4% of our constituency. As such, we have a profound interest in using all available means to humanely reverse the city's homelessness crisis.

While Proposition HHH and Measure H have transformed the landscape of homeless services in LA County, providing robust non-emergency measures to accomplish the above, the fact that so many Angelenos are still on the street suggests that more may need to be done.

An emergency declaration by the governor to enable the City "to act quickly and without normal constraints to address [homelessness], request mutual aid from other governmental organizations and seek emergency funding...to more efficiently procure materials and services necessary" would provide new tools, which, if used with sensitivity and thoughtfulness, may be of great aid.

[Hawai'i made such a declaration in 2015](#) covering a 60 day span. While that state's homeless population is small compared to ours, and the declaration has been extended [at least three times](#), by focusing on [expanding and easing the construction of shelters and housing via zoning exemptions](#), this declaration was seen as [effective](#). We support the State of California and City of Los Angeles in taking a similar approach.

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28 October 2019  
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