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Summary: Whereas there is a housing and homelessness crisis in our city and our neighborhood, in which thousands have been forced to live on the streets; and Whereas the City of Los Angeles adopted section 41.18 into the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) that outlaws sitting, lying or sleeping upon any street, sidewalk or other public way; and Whereas the City of Los Angeles can no longer enforce that law due to the United States Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit ruling on Martin v. The City of Boise, which determined that unhoused persons may sleep in public spaces until there is sufficient shelter to house them; and Whereas the City of Los Angeles must therefore update LAMC Section 41.18 to allow for enforcement in a manner that is consistent with the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruling, which suggested that some very limited restrictions on sitting, lying, or sleeping on a public right of way might be acceptable to the Court; and Whereas Councilmember Mike Bonin has vocalized his support for housing, in accordance with the 9th circuit ruling, while also proposing sensible changes to 41.18 that may meet the requirements laid out by the Boise decision, including restrictions around sensitive use areas like schools, daycares and homeless shelter facilities; and Whereas allowing for such sensible restrictions without violating the central principle of the Boise decision is the best way to address the concerns of local residents about impacts on schools and other sensitive uses without risking another legal decision against the City that again stops enforcement of 41.18 Now. therefore be it resolved, that the Mar Vista Community Council supports changes to LAMC 41.18 to bring it into compliance with the Boise decision while allowing for restrictions against sitting, lying, or sleeping on streets, sidewalks, and other public right of ways around sensitive uses that include schools, daycares, and homeless shelter facilities