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The Trump administration's hardline immigration policies have done more than create a humanitarian crisis along our southern border; it has opened the door for hundreds of privately-owned detention centers across the country to profit by holding undocumented immigrants detained by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Nearly three-quarters of all detained immigrants, adults and children alike, are held in these private prisons until their court hearings, which can take months.

These prisons sign contracts with ICE worth hundreds of millions of dollars every year and own horrific records regarding human rights and living conditions for detained immigrants. The number of private facilities is only expected to grow as the administration prepares to conduct further raids targeting migrant families.

Private detention centers are not welcome in the City of Los Angeles, and we must ensure that none will ever be built or operated within its borders.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Planning Department, in consultation with the City Attorney, be instructed to prepare and present an ordinance amending the City's zoning code to prohibit the construction and operation of private detention centers in the City Los Angeles.

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