

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Please see the attached letter from the Federation of Hillsides and Canyons supporting the protection of our local mountain lions.

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Los Angeles City Council—Rules, Elections, and
Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Honorable Nury Martinez, Chair
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Resolution to Amend State Law to End Issuance of Depredation
Permits for Mountain Lions (CF 20-0002-S20)

Honorable Councilmembers:

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.

Councilmembers Koretz and Ryu recently presented a resolution (CF 20-0002-S20) to support state legislation or administrative action to end issuance of depredation permits for mountain lions, and instead establish an indemnity fund to reimburse affected individuals who lose an animal to a mountain lion. In addition, the resolution supports listing the Southern California/ Central Coast Evolutionary Significant Unit of Mountain Lions as threatened under the California Endangered Species Act.

The Hillside Federation's mission includes the encouragement and promotion of policies to preserve the wildlife of the mountains and hillsides of Los Angeles, and we therefore strongly support adoption of the resolution to protect our local mountain lions.

Sincerely,

Charley Mims, President