

#### Isabel Onate <isabel.onate@lacity.org>

# Fwd: Don't Kill Small Businesses on 3/27

1 message

Alan Alietti <alan.alietti@lacity.org> To: Isabel Onate <isabel.onate@lacity.org> Fri, Mar 27, 2020 at 7:57 AM

Hi Isabel, This one too please. Thanks!

Alan Alietti Deputy City Clerk Office of the City Clerk \*PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE NUMBER\* \*- (213) 978-1081\*





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From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 5:43 PM

Subject: Fwd: Don't Kill Small Businesses on 3/27

To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>

Cc: Staci Roberts <staci.roberts@lacity.org>, Alan Alietti <alan.alietti@lacity.org>

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From: Hunter Hall < hunter@archetypeconsult.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020, 5:07 PM

Subject: Don't Kill Small Businesses on 3/27

To: <paul.koretz@lacity.org>, <councilmember.martinez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.rodriguez@lacity.org>, <councilmember.harris-dawson@lacity.org>, <councilmember.price@lacity.org>, <councilmember.wesson@lacity.org>,

<councilmember.bonin@lacity.org>, <councilmember.lee@lacity.org>, <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>,

<councilmember.huizar@lacity.org>, <councilmember.buscaino@lacity.org>

Cc: <CityClerk@lacity.org>, <mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org>

# RE: STRONG OPPOSITION TO Item 20-0147-S39, 20-0147-S15, 20-0147-S42

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**Principal** 

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# Fwd: Ordinance being voted on March 27

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Alan Alietti <alan.alietti@lacity.org>
To: Isabel Onate <isabel.onate@lacity.org>

Fri, Mar 27, 2020 at 8:01 AM

Cc: Melinda Novoa <melinda.novoa@lacity.org>

Hi Isabel and Melinda,

Take a look at this one. It is addressed only to Bonin. Do we typically upload if it is not addressed to full Council (...Melinda?) If we do, Isabel can you please upload to the three files listed? If not, please disregard. Thanks!

Alan Alietti
Deputy City Clerk
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From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>

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From: Hanson, Kurtis < Kurt. Hanson@renhotels.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 8:31 PM

Subject: Ordinance being voted on March 27
To: CityClerk@lacity.org < CityClerk@lacity.org>

Hello Councilman Bonin, I hope you are well.

Well intended initiatives will have negative unintended consequences. A one size fits all ordinance does not work for all businesses.

Three ordinances will be voted on tomorrow that are of concern to the business community:

#### Right of Recall Ordinance (Written Comment Number: 20-0147-S15)

- Retroactive to March 4, 2020 and in effect until March 4, 2022
- Ensures priority re-hiring by seniority to those laid off due to COVID-19.

# Citywide Worker Retention Ordinance (Written Comment Number: 20-0147-S35)

- In a change of control scenario, successor business are required to rehire and retain employees
- There is no sunset clause for the ordinance

#### Supplemental Paid Sick Leave (Written Comment Number: 20-0147-S39)

- Businesses must provide 80 hours of sick leave to employees during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Sunsets on December 31, 2020

As we engage with businesses who are cash strapped and struggling to survive, layering regulations that will take them into a deeper economic crisis is of great concern.

Please do not pass these. Call me with any questions.

Kurt

Kurt Hanson General Manager Renaissance Los Angeles Airport



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Anna Martinez <anna.martinez@lacity.org>

To: City Clerk Council and Public Services < Clerk. CPS@lacity.org>

Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 2:49 PM

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From: Hunter Hall <hunter@archetypeconsult.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 2:45 PM

Subject: Don't Kill Small Business on 3/27/20 To: <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>

Cc: <cityclerk@lacity.org>, <mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org>

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From: Hunter Hall <hunter@archetypeconsult.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 2:47 PM

Subject: Don't Kill Small Business Tomorrow

To: <david.rvu@lacity.org>

Cc: <CityClerk@lacity.org>, <mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org>

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