

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Kee and I do deliveries for Postmates in the Los Angeles area more specifically West Hollywood and Downtown Los Angeles. I started driving for postmates 3 years ago as a way to supplement my income in between acting jobs . Postmates has helped me keep food on the table and pay my bills. Postmates has really provided much needed assistance during the Covid-19 pandemic by providing drivers with stipends to cover necessary items needed while we do deliveries such as gloves, hand sanitizer, gloves and whatever else we felt was necessary to do our job. Passing this ordinance will not only hurt the drivers but the restaurants too . If you have to lower drivers pay to accommodate this change many drivers will be forced to stop driving because it won't be worth it , which means no drivers to pick up orders from the restaurant or horrendous wait times for the customers which in turn will cause people to not want to order leaving the restaurant with with less business. We as drivers have a lot of overhead that people don't consider like gas and maintenance on our cars, with the current pay structure we already are barely making enough to cover everything we need to keep doing deliveries, if the pay is lowered we technically will be doing some deliveries for free. I urge LA city council members to not pass this ordinance because it could hurt people like me who depend on providing my delivery services in Postmates to earn income during these uncertain times.

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Name: Justo Hernandez

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Comments for Public Posting: Esta ordenanza que quiere hacer con nosotros los choferes de postmates no nos conviene porque bajaría mis ingresos y mis gastos son demasiados como targetas de crédito, rentas, utilidades en mi casa pago de auto seguro de auto y mas. Suplico al todos que dejen como esta todo me siento mejor como esta sin cambio por favor gracias

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Name: Daniel

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Daniel. I live in the East Hollywood / Los Feliz area, and for the past three years, I've been a courier for Postmates. Working for Postmates is what has made it possible for me to pursue a career as a screenwriter, and to help take care of my mother-in-law while she battles cancer. Between my professional aspirations and my personal responsibilities, my schedule is unpredictable at the best of times. This is why I'm so grateful to Postmates. It's the freedom that Postmates gives me to choose my own hours that allows me to continue pursuing my goals and to be there for the ones I love. Working for Postmates, I don't keep a traditional 9-5 schedule, but I do work full-time hours. My Postmates work is my only reliable source of income, and during these uncertain times, I depend upon it more than ever. For the millions of us who are not fortunate enough to have a job where we can work from home, gig work is our safety net. If we were to lose that safety net during this Pandemic, or if that safety net were even weakened, the results would be devastating to gig workers like myself. Many of us would not be able to pay our rent, bills, or to provide for our families and loved ones. The ordinance before us is one that will have far-reaching consequences, and negatively impact the ability of gig workers to earn income at a time when we've never been more vulnerable. That's why I'm urging LA City Councilmembers to not pass this ordinance. Thank you for your time!