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Angeles, CA 90012 RE: Opposition to 2019/20 Open Budget Termination of the Wildlife Pilot Study (CF 20-0600) Dear Mr. Mayor, I run the Hollywoodland Wildlife Study Program (HWSP). The city needs the invaluable work of the Wildlife Pilot Study. We urge you to continue funding the study. The Wildlife Pilot Study is essentially the only city program seeking to provide a scientific basis for planning for the future of the connectivity of flora and fauna in the city, especially in the Santa Monica mountains and Griffith Park. Los Angeles, with the Santa Monica Mountains and Griffith Park, is unique to any city in the United States with its wonderful flora and fauna. However, it's under grave threat from climate change and development. In order to plan for the sustainability of the quality of life in Los Angeles we must understand it in order to protect it properly. The Wildlife Pilot Study is a crucial lifeline for the city's future as a healthy, wonderful, and beautiful place to live. As the pandemic is showing the world, life is all interconnected. Scientific understanding of our natural world, and our very survival, is under grave threat from our federal government slashing science programs. It would be a monumental mistake for you to eliminate this crucial, yet relatively miniscule, city natural science program. Pandemics, climate change, sustainability, prosperity, and quality of life are all connected. The city can best plan and protect our future by promoting scientific understanding of our fragile flora and fauna. Please, support the Wildlife Pilot Study. Sincerely, Dr.

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