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Los Angeles would not be Los Angeles without the tourism industry. Tourists are an integral part to of our City just as the Hollywood Sign, the Walk of Fame, Griffith Observatory and the countless other iconic places surrounding the heart of Los Angeles.

Recently, there has been numerous complaints from residential neighborhoods about the tour bus operators. The rise in the noise complaints has been attributed to public announcement systems from some of the tour bus companies. This has been expressed by many residents in Hollywood area, as well as other neighborhoods located in Los Angeles. The residents are entitled enjoy peace and quiet in their homes and the City should look to create legislation to eliminate the amplification from the open-air sightseeing buses.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney to be requested to prepare and present an ordinance which would require all tour buses with open, roof-top seating install a headphone-based system, so that the sound and audio cannot be heard by the residents. There are other municipalities that have already moved forward with similar type legislation – such as New York, San Francisco, and Florida. The creation of this legislation will go a long way in continuing to make sure that we can all share in the wonders of Los Angeles, while improving the quality of life of our neighbors.

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