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REPORT RE:

**REVISED DRAFT ORDINANCE ADOPTING TENANT
BUYOUT NOTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT PROGRAM**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 15-0600-S34

Honorable Members:

On September 21, 2016, the City Council requested this Office to prepare a draft ordinance amending the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) to add a Tenant Buyout Notification and Agreement Program. Pursuant to that request, this Office prepared and transmitted the draft ordinance which was considered by the Housing Committee on November 2, 2016. After public comment and vote, the Housing Committee recommended that the time for a landlord to file the executed RSO Disclosure Notice and Buyout Agreement be increased to 60 days (instead of 30 days) after the Buyout Agreement execution. Subsequently, during City Council consideration of the draft ordinance on November 8, 2016, the Housing Committee's recommendation was adopted along with another change that there be no public disclosure of the money paid under a Buyout Agreement. The enclosed revised draft ordinance makes all changes requested by City Council.

CEQA Clearance

Under the general exemption provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Cal. Pub. Resources Code § 21084), HCIDLA recommends that City Council find that the adoption of this ordinance is exempt from the provisions of CEQA

under Article 18, Section 15060 (c)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 2(m) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Council Rule 38

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, a copy of the revised draft ordinance was provided to HCIDLA with a request that they direct any comments they have directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Deborah Breithaupt at (213) 978-7965. She or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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