MOTION

Through the passage of Measure M in March of 2017, the voters in the City of Los Angeles authorized the enforcement and regulation of Cannabis activity in the City. Subsequently, the City underwent nearly a year long process to gather input from the community through numerous community hearings, council committees, and council meetings. The consensus reached was twofold: First, we needed to act with great care and ensure equitable distribution of retail and non-retail licenses rather than allowing for undue concentration of certain cannabis activities in certain communities; Second, the City must prioritize a Social Equity program in order to redress the harm caused by the War on Drugs.

These two guiding principles led to the Council adoption of placing limits on cannabis activities per community plan area for Phase 2 and Phase 3 applicants. Additionally, we implemented a robust Social Equity Program that would prioritize qualifying applicants when applying under Phase 2 and Phase 3.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Cannabis Regulation report back with a breakdown of the number of Phase 2 applicants per Council District, by Community Plan area, and report back on any undue concentration limits reached per Council District, by Community Plan area.

I FURTHER MOVE that the undue concentration limits previously adopted by Council per Community Plan area remain in effect and that Council instruct the Department of Cannabis Regulation to implement the Public Convenience and Necessity process for Phase 2 and Phase 3 applicants.

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