

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Brian Civita I have been living in Los Angeles county since 1976. I am completely opposed to banning PBR events or any kind of Rodeo. I have been attending rodeo and bull riding my entire life. I am an animal lover I work as a volunteer at a horse rescue, I own goats and horses. Bulls used in the PBR are breed specifically as bucking bulls. They are trained as professional athletes. They are rehabilitated as professional athletes. Theirs diets are such as a professional athletes. They are never abused their genitals are not touched with the flank strap. It is strictly a device to get them to extend their rear legs when bucking. Their life expectancy is four to five longer than a normal bull. They are practically pampered. They don't get turned into food like many animal do ex. race horses, ranch cows. The PBR and cowboying teaches valuable life lessons and values. Like hard work persistency, respect, responsibility, honesty. It is an inclusive sports. There is every race, religion background represented in the sport. People from around the world participate in their countries and when they get good enough here In the PBR. It helps some people escape poverty and oppression through their success in PBR. Which is a valuable to many impressionable kids and a great life goal. It would be a huge mistake to ban the PBR in Los Angeles. It would be a terrible thing to ban bull riding. It is a valuable asset to society. Many who are interested in banning PBR don't have any real knowledge of what it is or how it works. It is out of ignorance that the opinion of the PBR is negative. There is no valid basis for a ban on the PBR. Not to mention the financial losses to the city of Los Angeles. And the people who work for the PBR, staples center, the hotels, the rental car companies, airlines etc. Please do not ban the PBR in Los Angeles.