

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I'd like to express how deeply concerned about the inherent cruelty and violence that takes place at rodeos. The presence of rodeos in LA is an expression of tolerance and complacency towards violence against animals. As a long-time LA resident, my opinion on this matters - as well as the opinions of thousands of other residents that would vehemently oppose this if they caught wind it was happening. What troubles me even deeper is the exposure to violence towards animals to young, innocent children and teens, this could render a lifelong psychological impact on them. The proposal to bring a rodeo to the Crypto.com Arena in my neighborhood could spell disaster for our community, introducing cruelty and suffering right on our doorstep – on top of the cruelty and suffering that already exists on the streets. This isn't Ancient Rome. Why allow Crypto.com Arena to play host to scenes of animal cruelty reminiscent of what was on display 2,000 years ago at the Roman Coliseum? We're better than that. I implore you to consider the inhumanity of rodeos and to stand with me in opposing the introduction of this barbaric spectacle to our neighborhood. Let us safeguard our progressive values and protect the well-being of our community. Thank You.

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Comments for Public Posting: I address you with an unwavering commitment to expose the grim reality of rodeos. These spectacles of cruelty harbor a shocking rate of animal fatalities that we can no longer ignore. Animals endure torment beyond imagination – electric shocks, twisted necks, and vicious spurring. Bulls are relentlessly pushed beyond their physical limits. Fatal injuries, the stuff of nightmares: catastrophic injuries such as broken legs and backs as a direct result of forceful, unnatural bucking induced by the painful flank strap they are desperate to rid themselves of. Survivors of this brutality face endless cycles of abuse. Then, for most of them, a grim end at the slaughterhouse is their final reward. This ugly truth behind rodeos is slowly coming to light and as our movement continues to grow, it will no longer be kept from the public. Let me make it abundantly clear: I strongly oppose the introduction of this barbaric spectacle in our neighborhood. I'm also speaking for my friends, fellow Angelenos who can no longer stand it either. It is our collective responsibility to protect our community from this horror. I beg you to join me in taking a powerful stance against rodeos. Let us protect our values, our community, and the innocent beings that deserve our compassion and protection. How we treat these animals, who did not consent to this violence, is a direct reflection of how we treat each other, our neighbors, and there is already an abundance of violence and helplessness in our communities. Please, let's take this step in the right, moral direction.