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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: At the Jan. 27, 2021, meeting of the West Los Angeles Sawtelle N.C., the Board of Directors voted, 9-0-0, to oppose Senate Bill 9 (Atkins), and support the resolution in CF 21-0002-S18 (Koretz) calling for the City to oppose SB 9, and authorize the Chair to submit Community Impact Statements in the future. 1. City Council file 21-0002-S18. Findings and justifications: 1. SB 9 may violate the California Coastal Act by failing to exempt parcels within the Coastal zone, by eliminating hearings for Coastal Development Permits, and by requiring by-right/expedited approval of all projects permitted under the bill, including projects within the Coastal zone which otherwise require discretionary review, including hearings. 2. SB 9 may violate the California Environmental Quality Act and shortcuts required CEQA review by declaring preemptively that a project permitted under the bill is not a "project" under CEQA, without regard to the test established by controlling case law, that is, whether the ordinance in a given case is "capable of causing a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the environment". 3. SB 9 compromises public safety and puts the lives and property of residents in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone at risk from increased density by failing to provide any exemption for parcels within the VHFHSZ. 4. SB 9 fails to address the state's affordable housing crisis or "ensuring an adequate supply of affordable housing" by not requiring any affordable housing in projects permitted pursuant to the bill. Ex parte communications: None disclosed by any committee members. Disclosures and conflicts of interest: None disclosed by any committee members. To government agencies: Only the Chair and designated Boardmembers may testify to public agencies on behalf of the West L.A. Sawtelle NC. The Board requests that the Council Office and private/non-profit entities do not testify or speculate on behalf of the NC. /s/ Jamie L. Keeton Chair WLASNC