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November 25, 2024

Honorable Gavin Newsom, Governor of the State of California  
*Via* Vishesh Anand, Los Angeles Deputy Regional Director  
Tony Taveras, Director, California State Dept. of Transportation  
Hon. Traci Park, Los Angeles City Councilwoman, CD 11

*Via email to all addressees*

**Re: Support for Letter of August 5, 2024, from Los Angeles City Councilwoman Traci Park to Gov. Newsom and Caltrans**

Dear Governor Newsom, Director Taveras and Councilwoman Park:

The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) is a cooperative coalition of all 14 neighborhood and community councils on the Westside of Los Angeles, in Council Districts 5 and 11 and portions of Council Districts 4 and 10. Our Alliance collectively represents over 500,000 housed and unhoused Angelenos.

The Westside of Los Angeles, in particular CD 11, contains large portions of state-controlled land, including state beaches (Dockweiler & Will Rogers State Beaches), state highways (PCH, State Rte. 1) and the 405, 10 and 90 freeways, where homeless dwelling and encampments exist. WRAC member councils have long experience with these conditions, which present substantial risks to public health and safety. As a result, a majority (8) of WRAC member councils have passed the following motion, or modified versions in keeping with its spirit:

*“The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) strongly supports the letter dated August 5, 2024, from Councilwoman Traci Park to Governor Newsom and Caltrans, requesting that state authorities coordinate with CD 11 in addressing encampments on state property within the district, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order # N-1-24. WRAC further requests a prompt response, effective action and accountability by state authorities.”*

The following WRAC member councils have adopted the above motion: Brentwood Neighborhood Council, Del Rey Neighborhood Council, Mar Vista Community Council, Neighborhood Council Westchester/Playa,\* Pacific Palisades Community Council,\* West LA-Sawtelle Neighborhood Council, Westside Neighborhood Council, Westwood Neighborhood Council (\**modified versions*).

While we are advised that state authorities may have worked to resolve encampments on some areas of state land, we understand that the Governor has not responded directly. We therefore respectfully urge the Governor and Caltrans to respond promptly and take effective action to coordinate in addressing encampments on state land in CD 11, as requested by Councilmember Park on August 5, 2024.<sup>1</sup> Thank you for your consideration and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

*Robin Greenberg and Christina Spitz*

Robin Greenberg, Chair, and Christina Spitz, Vice-Chair  
Westside Regional Alliance of Councils

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<sup>1</sup>See: <https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/CD11-Letter-Newsom.pdf>