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Hon. Karen Bass, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson, President, LA City Council
Hon. Nithya Raman, Chair, City Council Housing and Homelessness Committee
Hon. Heather Hutt, Chair, City Council Transportation Committee
Hon. Monica Rodriguez, Councilwoman, CD 7
Hon. Traci Park, Councilwoman, CD 11
Hon. Katy Yaroslavsky, Councilwoman, CD 5

Via email to all addressees and submission to the City Clerk's comment filing portal

Re: **Support CF 14-1057-S10 (Rodriguez) – Request City Attorney to prepare ordinance replacing prior LAMC Sec. 85.02, with a prohibition on vehicle dwelling near sensitive sites (per LAMC Sec. 41.18)**

Dear Mayor Bass and Councilmembers :

As you know, the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) is a cooperative coalition, founded in 2009, of all fourteen neighborhood and community councils in CDs 5 and 11 and parts of CDS 10 and 4 in Los Angeles.

WRAC Member Council neighborhoods and other neighborhoods throughout the city have been impacted by increased dwelling in vehicles of all sizes near sensitive uses that are frequented by children and families, including libraries, parks, schools and day-care centers. These impacts and the ongoing efforts to address them have been widely publicized.

A prior citywide ban on vehicle dwelling (LAMC 85.02) expired in January 2020 and has not been extended. In 2022, WRAC adopted a position in support of prior Council File 14-1057-S9 (now expired), which called for amendment of LAMC 85.02 to provide for **a ban on vehicle dwelling** with some exceptions. WRAC's 2022 position letter in that CF explained:

“In recent years, a complete abdication of responsibility for basic vehicle dwelling regulations has led to a proliferation of RVs and other vehicles permanently parked in areas that have existing parking restrictions. Past ordinances that had reasonable and legal restrictions on locations and times vehicles used for dwelling could park have been left to lapse and in doing so the situation on our residential streets, in our protected wetlands, and in other areas with existing parking restrictions has deteriorated and neither those living in vehicles nor those living, working and recreating in these same areas wins. It is long past time the city revisit basic ordinances that apply equitably to all citizens.” See: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/WRAC-CF-14-1057-S9.pdf>.

In January 2022, WRAC adopted its position supporting the use of LAMC Sec. 41.18 to designate sites near sensitive uses where camping in the public right of way is restricted; we also adopted a specific position to apply 41.18 to restrict camping within 500 ft. of schools. See:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/WRAC-Homeless-Motions-Jan-2022.pdf>.

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In March 2024, WRAC adopted a position calling for amendment of Sec. 41.18 to **prohibit vehicle dwelling near sensitive sites**. See: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/WRAC-Letter-Amend-41.18.pdf>.

In light of these conditions and based on WRAC's prior adopted positions, WRAC strongly supports the motion in CF 14-1057-S10 and requests that the Housing and Homelessness Committee and Transportation Committee take up and approve the motion at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Robin Greenberg and Christina Spitz

Robin Greenberg, Chair, and Christina Spitz, Vice-Chair
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