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April 2, 2026

Hon. Karen Bass, Mayor, City of Los Angeles

Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson, President, Los Angeles City Council

Hon. Traci Park, Councilwoman, CD 11

*Via email to all addressees and submission to the City Clerk filing portal*

**Re: SUPPORT CF 25-1484 (Park)**

Dear Mayor Bass, Council President Harris-Dawson and Councilwoman Park:

As you know, the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) is a cooperative coalition, founded in 2009, of all fourteen neighborhood and community councils on the Westside of Los Angeles, located in Districts 5 and 11 and portions of Districts 4 and 10. Collectively, WRAC's Member Councils represent over 500,000 Angelenos.

Background:

It has been widely reported that Westside neighborhoods, including in particular portions of the Del Rey community, have recently experienced problems resulting from an overconcentration of unregulated "sober living facilities" in residential areas. Many of WRAC's Member Councils have long supported appropriate regulation of sober living facilities in Los Angeles, specifically requesting in connection with prior efforts to enact the former proposed "Community Care Facilities Ordinance" (recommended by the City Planning Dept. more than a decade ago but never enacted) that density (spacing) limits be imposed on larger sober living facilities (homes with more than 6 residents) in residential neighborhoods.

Motion:

As a result, a majority of WRAC Member Councils have passed the following motion, or modified versions in keeping with its spirit:

"The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) supports CF 25-1484 which seeks to regulate sober living density in Los Angeles.

"Currently homeowners and residents in the Del Rey neighborhood of CD 11 and beyond are experiencing the effects of a documented pattern of owners/developers over-developing properties intended as "senior living" and then filing a change of use and converting them to un-regulated sober living homes with between 22 and 48 residents. Repeated requests by the community to abide by "good neighbor norms" have gone unaddressed.

"Prior communities in CD 11, CD 5 and other areas citywide have also experienced issues with sober living over-concentration in residential neighborhoods and have supported previous efforts to regulate sober living density in Los Angeles.

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“Research and findings from prior communities who have experienced these conditions demonstrate that the best way to resolve many of the problems now stemming from these largely unregulated sober living facilities is by establishing minimum spacing requirements between facilities and to create thresholds based on facility size, modeled on the Costa Mesa ordinance upheld by the courts. The motion in CF 25-1484 seeks to allow the City to preserve the benefits of recovery housing while avoiding the drawbacks of excessive clustering.”

The above motion, or modified versions in keeping with its spirit,\* has been passed by the following WRAC Member Councils: Brentwood CC, Del Rey NC,\* Mar Vista CC,\* NC Westchester-Playa, Pacific Palisades CC,\* West LA-Sawtelle NC, Westside NC,\* Westwood NC.

No WRAC Member Councils have opposed this motion.

The Council File was approved by the City Council Planning & Land Use Management Committee in February 2026. We respectfully urge the City Council to take up and pass the motion in CF 25-1484 at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and anticipated prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

*Robin Greenberg and Christina Spitz*

Robin Greenberg, Chair

Christina Spitz, Vice-Chair

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cc (via email):

Hon. Katy Yaroslavsky, Councilwoman, CD 5

Hon. Heather Hutt, Councilwoman, CD 10

Hon. Nithya Raman, Councilmember, CD 4