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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Dear Ms. Gibson,

On December 2, 2025, the Office of the City Clerk received a draft copy of a proposed initiative ordinance and request for preparation of an Official Petition Title and Summary from proponents Melinda Jeannette Ramos, Erma LuckeyRichard, Constance "Connie" J. Brooks, Jennie Taylor Tucker, and Steven Martinez. We forwarded the proposed initiative ordinance and request to the Office of the City Attorney who has prepared and transmitted the Official Petition Title and Summary set forth below. The City Attorney's transmittal is limited solely to that Office's responsibility to prepare the official petition title and summary and does not opine on the legality or substance of the proposed measure.

**PROHIBITION ON DAYTIME ENCAMPMENTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND
EXPANDED RESTRICTIONS AGAINST SITTING, LYING, OR SLEEPING ON
PUBLIC PROPERTY NEAR SPECIFIED LOCATIONS. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE.**

The proposed ordinance would change City of Los Angeles (City) public encampment laws (L.A.M.C. Section 41.18) in several ways and would prohibit certain future ordinance changes absent voter approval. First, the ordinance would impose a citywide prohibition against encampments on streets, sidewalks and all other public property in the City between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. – with certain weather-related exceptions – applicable to those who refuse an offer of shelter. Second, the ordinance would expand existing City laws prohibiting sitting, lying, sleeping, and storing personal property within 500-1000 feet of public parks, libraries, freeway ramps, overpasses and underpasses, homeless shelters, schools, licensed day cares, and other specified locations. The ordinance would eliminate certain requirements that signage giving notice be posted before enforcement. Third, the ordinance would require the City to respond to complaints of unlawful

encampments within a specified timeframe and allow private lawsuits to compel City enforcement.

This Official Petition Title and Summary is required to appear on the first page of each petition section above the text of the proposed measure, as provided in City Election Code Sections 706 and 707. Please contact us if you have any questions regarding the Official Petition Title and Summary.

The City Election Code requires that you submit a draft copy of your initiative petition, incorporating the above Official Petition Title and Summary, to this office for review and approval prior to circulating the petition.

We are sending this letter to you in your capacity as the authorized representative of the proponents of this initiative ordinance.

For any further questions, please contact us at (213) 978-0444. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'C' followed by a horizontal line that tapers to the right.

Christopher Garcia, Assistant Division Manager
Los Angeles City Elections and Business Improvement District Division