

Fwd: Homeless encampment across from 132-134 S. Mountain View

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Subject: Homeless encampment across from 132-134 S. Mountain View

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Dear Council Member O'Farrell, Mayor Garcetti, Ms. Wolcott and Mr. Llewellyn:

I am writing today because while I understand that the homeless situation is a real issue for all of Los Angeles, I am a property manager and I have the situation literally outside one of my properties. The property I am writing to you about today is **132 – 134 S. Mountain View Los Angeles, CA 90057** and there is an encampment across the street of this property. There have been incidents of homeless coming into my building when I have had a vacancy attempting to squat and when I entered my unit I was attacked. I made a police report about this, but of course nothing happened. The homeless continued to be there.

I understand that you, Mayor Garcetti, are doing your utmost to try to find a solution to the homeless issue but now with COVID-19 the issue becomes even more of a threat and I once again have a vacancy at this building. Not only do these people pose a threat in terms of higher crime living across the street, doing drugs and living in unsanitary conditions, but now they are unequipped to deal with a viral threat that creates an issue for my residents that is simply unacceptable. In addition I am a high risk for contracting COVID-19 and coming to prepare the vacant unit on my property and showing it becomes a potentially more dangerous situation when a homeless person might be trespassing in the unit.

I understand why safety laws have been put in place allowing these encampments to pop up, however, WHERE this occurs is of issue here and I would like to get help from you in moving this encampment. What can be done to the tax paying voters of these communities for their safety as well as the property owners ability to rent and maintain their properties? How can we feel and be safe when the homeless are living right outside our doors? Would you feel safe if you were living in such a situation?

I am writing to ask for help in moving this encampment to another location. I understand that they will come back, but I would also ask that there be regular check ins so that this does not happen. There must be a better and safer place for these people to go!

My residents are people who vote, who pay taxes, who contribute to society actively. They pay rent! They need to be able to feel safe on their street where they live and how can they when there is a homeless encampment directly across the street? I know there is no easy solution, however, this needs to be something that begins to be solved as people continue to put their hard earned money into Los Angeles. We want to feel safe walking in our neighborhoods, especially now in this new era of COVID-19.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

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