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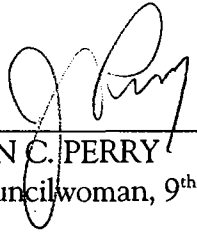
MOTION


Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing is often the housing of last resort for the thousands of people in the City of Los Angeles.

Seeking ways to preserve thousands of affordable SRO units throughout the City is the best thing we can do to address our serious lack of affordable housing and to prevent an increase in homelessness.

Preserving affordable SRO's has proven to be a successful way of addressing the homelessness crisis in many cities, including San Francisco and San Diego. The City of Los Angeles should follow along these lines to take steps to preserve our affordable SRO units. Preserving these SRO units will prove to be, a cost-effective way to minimize homelessness and address our affordable housing crisis.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Housing Department with the assistance of the City Attorney be directed to report to the HCED Committee within 30 days with recommendations on measures which the City can implement to preserve the thousands of affordable Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing units throughout the City. The report should include a discussion of measures taken by other cities for this purpose and their applicability to the unique needs and circumstances of Los Angeles.

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