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January 24, 2014

Councilman Joe Buscaino
City Hall - Room 410
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Councilman Bernard Parks
City Hall - Room 460
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: City-wide fracking ban File No. 13-1152-S1

Dear Councilmembers Buscaino and Parks:

On January 14, 2014, our Board voted 11-0-0 to support File No. 13-1152-S1 which is the City-wide prohibition on all activity associated with well stimulation, including, but not limited to, hydraulic fracturing, gravel packing, and acidizing, or any combination thereof, and the use of waste disposal injection wells until a comprehensive study can be conducted on the long-term safety of these processes.

As you may be aware, last August 2013 the Rosecrans 3D Imaging Project on behalf of BreitBurn Energy Partners L.P. and with a permit from the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering began sound wave testing below properties of the Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council, including under the industrial properties along Figueroa Blvd. between El Segundo Blvd. and Redondo Beach Blvd. Many of our residential stakeholders have reported to us that they felt very strong vibrations from the testing process alone and many have reported that the testing process alone has created significant new cracking in the plaster of their homes, interior and exterior, cracking of concrete driveways, damage to a block wall, oil coming up from a bathtub drain, bursting of a DWP water main on 132nd Street, and subsidence of a home on 129th Street.

Therefore, we are extremely concerned that if the location of significant oil and gas reserves has been identified below our properties by this study, then hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") and other "well stimulation" processes may be used to extract these reserves for the profit of energy

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company interests and to the detriment of our health and properties as well as to our existing underground water resources. These processes are also known to be sources of new air pollution and definitely have the potential to generate earth subsidence and future major earthquake damage to the whole surrounding region.

As your constituents, we ask that you support us in working to have this measure passed by the full Los Angeles City Council as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Neodros Bridgeforth, Corresponding Secretary
Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council

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