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Councilman Mitch O'Farrell  
City of Los Angeles  
200 N. Spring Street Room 450  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: **Council File 13-1374**  
**Prohibit the Growth of Genetically Modified (GM) Crops within City Limits**

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell,

Thank you so much for introducing this important motion.

We at CRSP wholeheartedly support the motion.

The precautionary principle continues to be the best guideline for our City moving forward on reversing the potentially most devastating effects of GMOs.

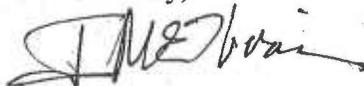
A GMO free zone in LA can protect:

- GMO threatened gardens in LA: home, community, school
- GMO threatened heirloom seeds
- Human health
- Bee and monarch butterfly populations

Creating a GMO free L.A. also sends a message to the world that we are with you—with the dozens of countries and cities which have already banned or required labelling of GMO seeds and foods. This could help our tourist industry, as well, and send a message to restaurants throughout the City to advertise that they are GMO free establishments!

Thanks for remaining in the forefront of environmental leadership in our city.

Sincerely,



Ian McIlvaine  
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Board of Directors  
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