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Keep Westwood Blvd in the Mobility Plan 2035 CF#15-0719

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Dear Councilmember Koretz:

As a person who graduated from UCLA in 2011 and a person who rides a bicycle, walks, takes the bus, subway and train, and a person who drives a car, I am distressed by your recommendation to remove bike lanes on Westwood Blvd from the Mobility Plan 2035. According to the L.A. Department of Transportation (LADOT), along this half mile stretch, more than 8 times as many collisions occur between vehicles and bicyclists than similar streets in Los Angeles. Westwood should be a safe and enjoyable place to visit.

The campus community, Westwood Village business owners, UCLA Hospital, and residents have come out to countless public meetings and hearings to speak in favor of bike lanes. Please don't let a persistent, vocal minority block the safety improvements Westwood so desperately needs.

I respectfully ask that you begin an engineering study of buffered or protected bike lane options for Westwood Blvd between Wellworth and Le Conte. UCLA Transportation just installed bike lanes on Westwood Blvd to the campus border at Le Conte. It is now up to the City to do its part and extend these lanes through the Village and eventually connect to the new Expo Line station south of Pico.

Sincerely,
Kathryn Savage