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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Liliane Morin' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 4:46 PM

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Sep 4, 2018

Los Angeles City Council and Public Services

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Please free Billy and send him to an elephant sanctuary.

Sincerely,

Ms. Liliane Morin  
6401 Shellmound St  
Emeryville, CA 94608-1063  
[east63@aol.com](mailto:east63@aol.com)

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**From:** 'michelle flesch' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 3:45 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. michelle flesch  
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[michelleflesch531@gmail.com](mailto:michelleflesch531@gmail.com)

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**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 4:48 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. jaymes lopez  
8153 W Iowa Ave  
Lakewood, CO 80232-6733  
[beholdthesky@gmail.com](mailto:beholdthesky@gmail.com)

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**From:** 'Lindsay Graham' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Lindsay Graham  
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Berkeley, CA 94703-1055  
[lindsayhgraham@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayhgraham@gmail.com)

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**From:** 'Jessabelle Valdez' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Jessabelle Valdez  
8135 Potter Ave  
North Hollywood, CA 91605-1221  
[jessabellevaldez@yahoo.com](mailto:jessabellevaldez@yahoo.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 10:47 AM

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It is important Billy gets to roam free in peace for at least some part of his life.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Macy Geihs  
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Nipomo, CA 93444-9749  
[mgeihs@gmail.com](mailto:mgeihs@gmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 1:44 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jenny Harpster  
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Akron, OH 44306-2412  
[babyraiden0911@gmail.com](mailto:babyraiden0911@gmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Ms. John Mosley  
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Laurel, MS 39443-9409  
(601) 428-5359  
[mosleyjoh@hotmail.com](mailto:mosleyjoh@hotmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 8:43 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lisa Ziebell  
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Yorba Linda, CA 92886-7929  
[lmziebell@att.net](mailto:lmziebell@att.net)

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Ms. B. Sheryl Geddes  
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Oakland, CA 94605-2601  
(503) 636-1290  
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Sincerely,

Ms. Rachel Zavala  
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Long Beach, CA 90807-1416  
[lb\\_rachel@hotmail.com](mailto:lb_rachel@hotmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 3:19 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Mary Adams  
604 Mormon St  
Folsom, CA 95630-2520  
[adamsmc55@att.net](mailto:adamsmc55@att.net)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 7:15 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. G Martinez  
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San Francisco, CA 94110-4709  
[gestherlina@yahoo.com](mailto:gestherlina@yahoo.com)

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**From:** 'Shelly beck' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 7:49 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Shelly beck  
2109 Boothe Rd  
Ceres, CA 95307-3103  
[shelly.beck@yahoo.com](mailto:shelly.beck@yahoo.com)

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Sincerely,

Ms. Nati Termn  
17 Beevers st  
Melbourne, VI 3337  
[bubzy\\_luv@hotmail.com](mailto:bubzy_luv@hotmail.com)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Cindy Fedorchuk' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 1:14 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Cindy Fedorchuk  
836 Ridgeview Ct  
Oakdale, CA 95361-2652  
[fedorchuk2@att.net](mailto:fedorchuk2@att.net)

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**From:** 'christine pelletier' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 11:13 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. christine pelletier  
248 3rd St  
Oakland, CA 94607-4375  
(323) 600-3274  
[pelletc@sutterhealth.org](mailto:pelletc@sutterhealth.org)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Kaylee Connell' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 11:43 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kaylee Connell  
169-307 Rte La Vallee  
Memramcook, NB E4K 3C5  
[kaylee.connell.22.28@gmail.com](mailto:kaylee.connell.22.28@gmail.com)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Bettina Flammia' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 6:45 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Bettina Flammia  
6400 Sharlands Ave  
Reno, NV 89523-3748  
[btflammia@gmail.com](mailto:btflammia@gmail.com)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Kristyna Nemcova' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:44 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kristyna Nemcova  
Jones Road 5  
Dublin Dublin 9  
[kisa.nemcova@seznam.cz](mailto:kisa.nemcova@seznam.cz)

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**From:** 'Dioni Shilliyo' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 1:44 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Dioni Shilliyo  
2521 Parker St  
Santa Cruz, CA 95065-1634  
[bearvango@gmail.com](mailto:bearvango@gmail.com)

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**From:** 'Lisa Shinn' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 6:15 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lisa Shinn  
923 Moss St  
Reading, PA 19604-2311  
[legs4563@aol.com](mailto:legs4563@aol.com)

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**From:** 'Cynthia Campbell' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 8:12 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Cynthia Campbell  
1237 Glenview Ln  
Glendora, CA 91740-6174  
[inchay131@yahoo.com](mailto:inchay131@yahoo.com)

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**From:** 'Dina Mcgee' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 1:44 PM

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Because elephants deserve to be free.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Dina Mcgee  
5800 Hamilton St Apt 200  
Sacramento, CA 95842-3099  
(916) 719-0203  
[dinamcgee68@gmail.com](mailto:dinamcgee68@gmail.com)

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**From:** 'Elsa Garcia' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 9:12 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Elsa Garcia  
9216 Van Nuys Blvd  
Panorama City, CA 91402-1471  
[garciaelsa58@yahoo.com](mailto:garciaelsa58@yahoo.com)

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**From:** 'Katrina Hinkle' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 6:19 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Katrina Hinkle  
6307 Chief Tucker Ave  
Riverbank, CA 95367-3036  
[mattnkate06@gmail.com](mailto:mattnkate06@gmail.com)

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**From:** 'Jeremey Hoyles' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 7:42 AM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Jeremey Hoyles  
9829 Flora Vista Rd  
Apple Valley, CA 92308-8507  
[jehoyles24@gmail.com](mailto:jehoyles24@gmail.com)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'marisanna rolfo' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 2:14 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. marisanna rolfo  
via garibaldi 165  
ceva 12073  
[ufficio.manifestazioni@comune.ceva.cn.it](mailto:ufficio.manifestazioni@comune.ceva.cn.it)

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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Tara Amato' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 10:47 AM

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(415) 324-7054  
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## REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

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**From:** 'Jacqueline Cunningham' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 9:43 AM

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Sacramento, CA 95826-5538  
(916) 363-2154  
[jcgrandma6@comcast.net](mailto:jcgrandma6@comcast.net)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 2:14 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Catalina Dignadice  
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Gardena, CA 90247-3038  
[dignadicecatalina@gmail.com](mailto:dignadicecatalina@gmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Sincerely,

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[annaraquemay@hotmail.com](mailto:annaraquemay@hotmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 9:50 PM

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Sincerely,

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Oakdale, CA 95361-2966  
(209) 845-9942  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:44 PM

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Ms. Laura Knapp  
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Watsonville, CA 95076-9621  
[lauraknapp100@yahoo.com](mailto:lauraknapp100@yahoo.com)

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Sincerely,

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(654) 654-6543  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 9:43 AM

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Sincerely,

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Cleveland, MO 64734-9242  
(816) 618-7258  
[wknight851@gmail.com](mailto:wknight851@gmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:18 PM

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Sincerely,

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Benicia, CA 94510-1614  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 11:43 AM

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Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275-3563  
(310) 377-3781  
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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 5:49 PM

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Federal Way, WA 98023-6473  
[johncollinstimbo97@yahoo.com](mailto:johncollinstimbo97@yahoo.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Sincerely,

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419 Fernbridge Pl  
Novato, CA 94947-5297  
[theannstjames@gmail.com](mailto:theannstjames@gmail.com)

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:13 PM

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433 Almore St  
Monterey Park, CA 91754-6404  
[jessethejerk90640@yahoo.com](mailto:jessethejerk90640@yahoo.com)

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**From:** 'Patricia S.' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>  
**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
**At:** Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 7:15 PM

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**To:** Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>  
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Los Angeles City Council and Public Services

Dear City Council and Public Services,

Billy the elephant has lived at the Los Angeles Zoo for nearly 30 years, since he was taken as a youngster from his natural environment in Malaysia. For most of this time, he has endured living all by himself in an extremely tiny enclosure. As a result, he has displayed significant signs of stress, such as swaying and rocking side to side and head-bobbing due to frustration, boredom and possibly depression.

Elephants naturally need to roam several miles a day to maintain healthy joints and feet. They are also highly intelligent, sensitive, and social animals who need to be engaged by their surroundings in order to be happy. Billy has none of this.

I am not alone in being worried that Billy will face the same fate as his predecessors at the Los Angeles Zoo, who died prematurely due to conditions elephants often acquire while living in enclosed and cramped quarters.

The Los Angeles Zoo promised to close down the old elephant exhibit and build a bigger, better enclosure for Billy that would be more like his natural environment. But even after the renovations, Billy is still being kept in a tiny area separate from the other elephants. He still displays the same repetitive swaying and head-bobbing behavior that demonstrates his stress, boredom, and depression. Simply rotating the elephants from one small area to another does not give them enough exercise.

This new "state-of-the-art" elephant exhibit is not at all what the L.A. Zoo promised it would be. It seems to me that the new exhibit was built more to impress paying visitors than to meet Billy's needs. I feel betrayed and lied to by the Los Angeles Zoo, and I'm still very much concerned about the fate of Billy.

Please free Billy and send him to an elephant sanctuary.

Sincerely,

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