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Comments for Public Posting: "All Californians are entitled to a peaceful and quiet environment without the intrusion of noise..." HSC 46000, State of California Noise Control Act" Regarding the AlFresco Ordinance (12-12-23) we urge the city to --Preserve at least a portion of the current speaker-free distance within close-range of residences as a standard condition of C.U.Ps --Add the same enforcement as in the primary Ordinance (24, f) The CEQA report designates noise impact as Less than Significant, but for residents adjacent and across from al fresco sites, the impact on normal ambient level is significant. By the time a restaurant's music is loud enough to be heard above its 65 decibel conversation level, it's too loud at a nearby neighbor's 47 dB level. Acoustically it's difficult or impossible to reconcile the proximity. Therefore we urge the City to prohibit amplified outdoor sound and live entertainment in close range of residences as a standard condition of CUPs. The current temporary ordinance prohibits speakers within 500 feet of residential zones. Rather than removing this completely, retain at least part of it , approximately 100 feet, for nearby neighbors. Effective enforcement was removed based on assumption that amplifiers are no longer a factor. However, when they are in use via C.U.Ps, effective enforcement is still necessary, based on the past 3 years when LAMC and Ordinance regulations have been routinely ignored. Retain enforcement (per 24,f) of the Primary Ordinance when outdoor ampfliers are used via C.U.Ps, or in violation of the Ordinance. Thank you.