



June 6, 2026

Dear City Attorney Feldstein Soto,

I am a City of Los Angeles tenant who recently received full-scope legal representation through the Eviction Defense Network (EDN) Tenant Empowerment Program, a component of the Stay Housed LA Program.

I am writing to urge your office to finalize the Stay Housed LA contract with EDN before June 15, 2026.

At EDN's Saturday class this week, participants were informed that full-scope legal representation has been suspended due to the absence of a current contract with the City. Going forward, clients will have access to instructional videos and classes only — with no individual support for exhibit preparation, witness coordination, or courtroom assistance.

As a long-term disabled tenant, this individualized support was essential to my ability to defend my housing. Without it, I could not have navigated two eviction proceedings in the past year. EDN's work is directly connected to reducing homelessness in Los Angeles.

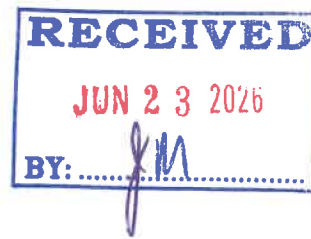
Sixty percent of EDN staff face layoffs on Friday, June 13, 2026, if this contract is not signed. Every day of delay means fewer tenants housed and more families at risk.

I respectfully ask that your office act immediately to sign the Stay Housed LA contract.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mayor Bass,

I am writing as a long-term Lincoln Heights resident and recent EDN client to ask for your immediate intervention on behalf of the Eviction Defense Network.

EDN's Tenant Empowerment Program, part of Stay Housed LA, just notified clients this past Saturday that full-scope legal representation has been suspended — because the City has not yet signed their contract. Without individual legal support, tenants like me — disabled, low-income, with limited courtroom experience — cannot adequately defend our homes.

Sixty percent of EDN staff will be laid off this Friday, June 13, if the contract remains unsigned. This directly threatens the City's ability to keep tenants housed and reduce homelessness.

I urge your office to intervene with the City Attorney's office to sign the Stay Housed LA contract before June 13, 2026.

Respectfully,

Handwritten signature of Margaret Frances Alarcon in black ink.

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Dear Councilmember Hernandez,

I am a Lincoln Heights resident and long-term tenant writing to ask for your urgent support on behalf of the Eviction Defense Network (EDN).

EDN's Tenant Empowerment Program, part of Stay Housed LA, notified clients this past Saturday that full-scope legal representation has been suspended because the City has not yet signed their contract. As someone who has personally benefited from EDN's individual legal support — navigating two eviction proceedings this past year as a disabled, low-income tenant — I can tell you directly how essential this program is to keeping families like mine housed in neighborhoods like Lincoln Heights.

Sixty percent of EDN staff will be laid off this Friday, June 13, if the contract remains unsigned. Preventing evictions is one of the most direct tools the City has to address the visible homelessness crisis in our neighborhoods — and EDN is on the front line of that work.

Your district knows firsthand what displacement does to families and communities. I respectfully ask that you use your voice and your office to urge the City Attorney to sign the Stay Housed LA contract before June 13, 2026.

Con respeto y esperanza,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Margaret Frances Alarcon".

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