Name: Sarah Wilson

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:27 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo. If you think cowboys and cowgirls are careless about animals, you're incredibly mistaken.

Name: Hannah

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:56 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not cancel rodeo. It is a big part of so many people's

lives in numerous ways.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 09:45 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo and the equine/cow industry in general are the lifeblood of

many people and businesses. In a nut shell, you do not cut off your nose to spite your face. You respect, take care of, and maintain everything that is vital to your business, animals very much included. You have sleepless nights during calving season, trying to ensure the health of cow and calf. You feed in any type of weather and make sure ice is broken in tanks, because that is vital to the health of your animals. It may be said you own them, but in reality, they own you and that is the way you want it. Rodeo, the horse industry, and cattle businesses have given people opportunities that they may have never been given in another scenario. Great people, with very good hearts and a huge love for the land and the animals have come from these industries. I wholeheartedly oppose this ordinance. Please do not ban rodeo, you would be losing far more than what you would gain, and that

in itself is a very sad fact.

Name: Neil Saunders

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 06:56 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I remember when me and my siblings were growing up the all we

ever did was play cowboys. Cowboying and rodeo is the only true lifestyle and sport of the American West. We love and take better care of our animals than we do ourselves. Hundreds of thousands of spectators attend rodeo events all over the United States. Heck,

we even have spectators who travel to the US from other

countries to watch our rodeo events. Banning rodeo events would be a huge negative economic impact for our country and our local businesses. Council File Number 20-1575 needs to be removed and stop trying to destroy the American Western Lifestyle that so many of work hard at on a daily basis. We LOVE our lifestyle, our way of life and our ANIMALS more than you will ever know.

Respectfully Neil Saunders

Name: Kelli Tully

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 07:25 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Why are you trying to takeaway, who we are as a people. Our way of life... our jobs... our passions? People who are in the western industry do not go around telling you not to have dogs in your homes or cats shut up or "jailed"... they are animals also (let them be free...stop breeding them...) or those poor little rabbits or rodents that you kill out of your yards and homes? Wake up... these rodeo animals athletes and cowboy athletes are no different then a basketball player or other sports athletes. They are well taken care of... feed properly... excerised properly... trained to perform so they are not injured. Are there not more important things to focus our time and energy on??? People abuse... the war we are sending our children amd family off to.... the homeless that no one is willing to fight for... instead people are worried about our rodeo athletes and trainers and how they are carrying for their animals. Are there people who are not caring for their animals properly??.. ABSOLUTELY... are they wrong ABSOLUTELY... I can assure you those are the same mean people who also dont care for people and are mean to humans as well. Should they be punished or course! Do rodeo athletes treat the animals like this... NO! Are they cruel... NO. Should they have their sport taken away NO this is a customary way of life that was here before cars... and groceries stores... like the Indian way of life this to will become extinct if you let ignorant people who know nothing about Ranching, Rodeo, Cowboy Way, and Sport spit their uneducated opinions of us about us towards uneducated people who have the ability to make laws with a pen and paper. Instead of getting dirt... taking out trash... and learning the real way of life... grown men sit in front of there TVs and play video games all day. They dont even know how to change a tire or build a fire or kill for food... these are the same people who would NOT be able to survive if our country was invaded. This way of life will SAVE this country again someday... you just wait! Just because we live in America does not mean that as Americans we are exempt from harm. This way of life is not only import to know but very much could be a way of life that someday be Americas saving grace!

Name: Blair and Chris Wheatley
Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 08:35 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: We respectfully oppose the rodeo equipment ban in the city of

Los Angeles. Rodeo is a way of life for many and it represents

western heritage.

Name: Joanna Alvarado

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 09:02 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos and western events are regulated by organizations that

protect the animals.

Name: Abbi H.

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 09:26 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: A ban like this is AT BEST ignorant about what actually goes on

in rodeo. Banning flank straps? That really shows the ignorance behind this. At worst, a flank strap is mildly irritating, it is neither painful nor tights. If it were tight or painful, it would actually cause the animal to lay down. And per PRCA rule, flank straps must be sheepskin or neoprene-lined to prevent irritation. Sharp or fixed spurs or rowels? That's already a rule in every rodeo association that spurs must be free-spinning and dull. Uncovered wire tie-downs are also banned. There are also already very clear rules in the organization over when the use of a prod is acceptable (and it's not very often) and where on the animal is acceptable. At best, this ban shows how ignorant the councilmembers are to how animals are handled at rodeo. And this doesn't even begin to cover what revenue is brought to the city by hosting rodeos. Don't ban

rodeo.

Name: Kathy Baldwin

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 05:09 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE do not stop the sport of rodeo. True equestrian people

would never hurt their horses or put them in a hurtful situation. These animals are very well cared for. Many horse owners put

their horses needs before their own.

Name: McKenna

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 06:52 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am in Support of the sport of Rodeo. Thank you.

Name: Heather Owen

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 07:31 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is an integral part of the western way of life, please don't

take away our livelihoods.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:19 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Turbo Rodeo is not everyone. If you don't like it don't Know.

Rodeos are huge events for smaller communities. No need to shut

them down.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:23 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is part of American heritage we do not hurt the animals we

just use them they are better cared for than your favorite dog,

Name: Avery

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 09:46 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: The rodeo industry plays a major role in this country and brings a

lot of income into towns all across America. Most don't understand just how much we care about our livestock. As farmers and ranchers we put our animals needs above ours no matter how bad the weather condition is. We don't do this for the money. We do it because we love it and it's our way of life

Name: Bryce Barnes

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 10:02 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: The ban of American icons like rodeo is a threat to our national

security. The people who support, compete, produce, and attend rodeos are the same people who stand for truth and justice in our society. Without a broad base of our population holding these values there will be no one willing to enter the military or to work in the law enforcement field. If rising crime rates across our country and war being waged against established civilized countries don't bring these values into clear focus then people

need to clean their glasses.

Name: Robin Elmassian

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 05:10 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE remove the ban on Rodeo in the city of Los Angeles.

This is a lively hood for many.

Name: Brady Garten

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 04:32 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo and end a way of life.

Name: Leigh Anne

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 04:41 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo. This is our lifestyle. Our life revolves

around our horses. It is so important to our family to pass this way

of life down to other generations.

Name: Brad

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 05:03 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo or equine sports.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 09:09 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: The proposed city council legislation to ban rodeo events is very

poorly thought out, and will negatively effect the cultural traditions of many minorities in the city. Groups such as the Compton cowboys use horses and rodeo like events to help troubled youth to escape the path to gang hood and drug abuse. Many other events such as charro rodeos are a significant part of the Hispanic culture and even a rite of passage. California is the state that it is because of the rich vaguero traditions and the ranching background, which rodeo events of all sorts help to keep alive. Supporting this measure is to support racial assimilation of Hispanic people into a white, urban culture. The arguments for the measure are nothing more than made-up opinions by people who have never actually attended a rodeo event, much less actually bothered to speak to a rodeo competitor or producer about the extensive costs and effort that goes into keeping their animals in the absolute best condition possible so that they can compete to the best of their abilities.

Name: Lucas Truax

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 09:44 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Western sports provide a way to showcase the athleticism and

beauty of a variety of animals. Animals are treated humanely. Prohibiting western sports contributes to the destruction of an integral part of Californian, Spanish, African American, Mexican,

and American history (among many others).

Name: Julie Turner

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 09:58 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please keep rodeo alive, no one loves their animals more than

them.

Name: Fred Nyulassy

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 10:58 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is an integral part America's western culture and must be

preserved. It should not be threatened for removal under the false pretense that rodeo stock animals are abused. Nothing is further from the truth. Rodeo stock animals are well cared for and highly valued by their stock contractor owners. Moreover, professional rodeo has over 50 separate rules with severe penalities including fines in place to protect rodeo stock. Abuse of rodeo animals is

NOT TOLERATED under any circumstances.

Name: David Gines

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:15 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Citizens with conservative values have to engage. The accusations

and points to this legislation have no truth or merit to substantiate

claims of animal abuse.

Name: Rena

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:15 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is a way of life for so many and helps define our all

important western heritage. These rodeo athletes depend on the livestock athletes, which is what they are to all of us. They are taken care of before anything else. They are what makes our sport of rodeo great and they are treated like the kings and queens that they are. We must keep rodeo. My family would not be the family

it is today without it.

Name: Mary Jane Dailey

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:16 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo!! Please educate yourselves by talking to

cowboys and learning about the many positives of the sport and

you'll realize cowboys don't tolerate ANY animal abuse!

Name: Jade

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:30 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo. Our animals are treated well. This

lifestyle brings so much positivity to all families. This lifestyle is a

tight knit community no matter where you're from.

Name: Kim

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:53 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: This ordinance is very misguided and wrong. It's really not about

animal welfare, but more about personal agendas. The proposed ordinance really doesn't accomplish anything for animal welfare at all. We all know that rodeo people take extremely good care of their livestock, and that if they're not in the best possible shape they're not going to perform well. I hope you reconsider this ordinance and really reach out to those who care deeply about their animals and do everything possible to keep them in the best

condition.

Name: Jerilyn Johnson

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 11:58 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of the sport of rodeo and other horse

events. Contestants and people who make their livelihood from rodeo always have the welfare and wellbeing of their animals as a priority. Professional rodeo associations all have strict welfare guidelines that members follow. To ban this sport in LA or

anywhere would be a bad and unnecessary action.

Name: Kelli Real

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 12:02 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo!

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 12:37 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I standup for Rodeos, bull tidings, barrel racing, ropings, etc. I was

raised in rodeo. I was a barrel racer and my dad was a bareback and bull rider. If you really knew what rodeo was all about there wouldn't be any controversy over the livestock. We treat them

better than ourselves. PLEASE DO NOT PUT BAN ON

RODEOS.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 01:08 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo. We love horses and our livestock more

than anything

Name: Taylor

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 02:05 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo. Rodeo horses are cared for better than

most people care for their beloved pets. As a barrel racer, I can personally attest that my horses needs come before my my own. I literally take care of them better than I take care of myself. They are more than just animal athletes, they become part of our

family. I love my horses more than anything and would never do anything to harm them. Our rodeo horses love competing just as much as we do. Please don't ban rodeo, these animals receive the

best care available and are in no way abused.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 02:30 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do no ban rodeo in California. Rodeo is a part of the

western heritage and is a way of life for me and many others. We take the very best care of our animals and they are protected through many rules and regulations in the rodeo world. Abuse is not tolerated. Our animals and livestock are our family and only receive the best of care. California will loose a piece of history

and culture if rodeo is banned.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 02:46 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo!

Name: **Bonnie Wheatley**

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 11:58 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: By eliminating rodeo you are attempting to erase a way of life. Attacking rodeo is an affront not only to rodeo and western sports but to the industries of ranching and agriculture (that feed the world!) celebrated by rodeo. This way of life built California. What this legislation is attempting is an injustice and shows the level of depravity in the war being waged by urban activists versus the rural way of life in contemporary society. This is wrong, this movement is uninformed and lacks the first-hand knowledge and experience of livestock husbandry necessary to inform the severe regulations being proposed. A few more obvious reasons: The truth is rodeo animals are some of the best cared for animals in the world. The groups pushing these ordinances like HSUS, PETA, Last Chance for Animals, and SHARK are spending their donor dollars enriching their staff and pushing their ideology that the use of animals is akin to slavery and therefore abuse. PETA takes it as far as stating that animals are better off dead than in human care and are well known for euthanizing 85-95% of the animals they claim they are saving. Rodeo companies are family owned and operated and realize no incentive from allowing their livestock animals to be injured, killed or treated in an inhumane way. Rodeo competitors are fined heavily if there's any chance they've treated an animal in an inhumane way. These sanctions include disqualification from the rodeo. It is important to note that rodeo athletes - professional and amateur alike - are under no guaranteed financial contract like other professional athletes. They pay to enter each event and their winnings are their only paycheck. The tradition of rodeo originates with Spanish and Mexican equestrian events dating as far back as the 17th century. The prowess and performance of the beautiful horses, cattle and other animals were paraded before royalty. Cattle were introduced to exhibit the athleticism of horse and rider. Because the performing animals were revered, the safety of the cattle, horse and rider all became of paramount importance. Rodeo now employs hundreds of thousands of global citizens. Competitors from Mexico, Central America, South America, Canada, Europe, and Australia participate in rodeos across the United States and bring traditions from their own nations, further enriching ours.

Name: Tommy Matthews

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 12:23 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: You would think that people, "intelligent "enough to run for

public office, would study and find the truth on a subject, before trying to outlaw said subject. But you just proved that theory wrong. Great job. On the other hand, you have been successful in giving the rest of your fine city, ????, hope that anyone can do

your job. Sincerely, Tommy Matthews

Name: Charles Moore

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 08:57 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: My first rodeo experience was attending the LA Sheriff's Rodeo

at the Coliseum in the 1950's. Please preserve the tradition of western sports in Los Angeles. As a long-time fan of professional bull riding I KNOW that the animal athletes are well cared-for.

Charles Moore, Yucca Valley CA

Name: Lonnie Guyton

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 02:02 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I was born and raised in Oklahoma City Oklahoma, Rodeo and the

western lifestyle was a part of my life just as it is today. In Rodeo my event is Bull riding and I've been competing and my chosen event since I was 14 years old, when I started in Rodeo black cowboys wasn't accepted very much in main stream rodeo like they are today as a black cowboy I hold a special and distinct role in leaving the legacy for those that come after me and it is a Legacy that I hold near and dear to my heart. I believe that if you take Rodeo away whether it be in California or anywhere else in this country we will be telling the rest of the people in this country and around the world That we don't care about hell our country got started and the rich roles That black men and women held a

very important part in creating.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 05:06 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Save rodeo and don't cancel western culture. Of all the issues we

face, it is odd that the attack is on a sport that brings together family and the LOVE FOR ANIMALS who are amazing athletes.

Name: Lisa Baca

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 09:12 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Mayor Garcetti and City Council Members Rodeo is part of

Lis Angeles' rich and complex American and Mexican culture (charriadas and escaramusa). There is a large multi cultural following SUPPORTING Rodeo in all its forms. Charriadas is currently the #1 sport in Mexico and has a tremendous following in Southwesrn United States, especially in Los Angeles. Currently

the highest number of Latino owned and ACTIVE

CHARRO/ESCARRAMUSA riders are in the San Fernando Valley. On Olvera Street across from Union Station, the City if Los Angeles honored the #1 Charro of all time, Antonio Aguilar, immortalized as a Charro riding a beautiful horse. Vaquerros and Rodeos have been a CONTINUOUS part of California history hundreds of years since before California was a state in the union when it was Alta California and part of Mexico. Generations have grown up attending rodeo/charriadas and have a deep love and respect for both horses and riders as athletes for their skills, courage and strength. As elected officials representing a LATINO CITY POPULATION now over 49% (even higher in the San Fernando Valley) honor California's rich equestrian heritage. Please respect BOTH Mexican and American culture and traditions and do NOT BAN RODEOS in the City of Los Angeles. Thank you, Lisa Baca, Equestrian rider, owner and

Rodeo fan for over 55 years and counting!

Name: Flavia Yanez

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 12:16 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I can believe that some people it's trying to erase the history of

this country!!! Cowboys, rodeo and horses are part or the culture

of this country!! Please save rodeo and the rural living ??

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 05:40 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo. Thank you.

Name: JE

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 06:59 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not pass this ordinance. I ask that you listen to the

people that are against this ordinance and learn of our ways and

how we care for all animals not just the one's in rodeo.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 07:02 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE DO NOT TAKE AWAY THE RODEOS!!!

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 07:03 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE DO NOT TAKE AWAY THE RODEOS!!!

Name: Corey Cline

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 07:38 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Council File Number 20-1575 I sincerely request that you do not

ban rodeo or it's events based on the misinformation proposed in this proposed law. I feel it would be unfair to destroy such a rich western heritage due to the lies of a few misinformed people. We love and care for our animals of all shapes and sizes, and rely mutually on each other in our daily lives. The animals are athletes just like us and require care and attention to perform at maximum ability. Who will care for them if we are cancelled out of spite. I can guarantee that the author of this bill will not make the sacrifices necessary to care for these animals. He only wants a sacrifice be made to him and his personal agenda. The government is meant to serve not control and dictate. Please consider the lives human and animal that you would destroy before you make this

decision. Thank you.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:00 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: As a 5th generation rancher and rodeo competitor, I urge you to

say NO to a ban on rodeo. Rodeo is a sport born out of work in the

agricultural community, as people were taking care of and doctoring their animals. In this lifestyle, I have learned that

animals come first, they're fed and taken care of every

day—before we take care of ourselves. Rodeo animals are no exception and my children have learned to care for and love their animals so much. We work hard and spend a lot of money on nutrition, exercise, and veterinary programs that keep them feeling

their best. It's our love and our livelihood.

Name: Brooke Jackson

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:02 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please stop this rodeo ban. The foundation that rodeo lays for our

families and or kids is something that no other industry can provide. Teaching proper animal handling and care is something we strive to do and show our kids the way. We love rodeo, we love animals and without rodeo and livestock, we would not be able to provide for our families. Please spend time getting to know the behind the scenes and speaking to real advocates for rodeo, not people that have never even seen what we do. Please don't

take this away from our families and ruin our heritage.

Name: Jeffi Girgenti

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 10:56 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: ABSOLUTELY DO NOT I repeat, DO NOT change

ANYTHING ha ING to do with ANY EQUESTRIAN

EQUIPMENT. Leave our Rodeo as is. PERIOD. You do not have

a LEGAL right to change anything. The State of California supercedes you, PERIOD. LEAVE OUR EQUESTRIAN

LIFESTYLE ALONE. LEAVE THE RODEO ALONE. LEAVE ALL EQUESTRIANS ALONE. We bring BILLIONS of Taxes YEARLY to support our city. stop Shooting yourselves in the

Foot! Cowboy saying incase you didn't know.

Name: Alisa Clairet

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 06:19 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeos. It is our cultural tradition in California.

If there is concern, then increase any penalties for violations that occur, but do not ban the entire event because of a few bad actors.

Thank you.

Name: Justin Ketzeneberg **Date Submitted:** 02/24/2022 06:29 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I have been around livestock my whole life and have family that is involved in rodeo. I can say from first hand experience that all rodeo livestock is treated with the upmost respect and live better lives than the average human being. The strap that goes around there flank is no different than you wearing a belt that tickles a little. These animals are bred for this just as a performance dog is bred for its job. If you were to attend a event you would notice how much these animals love there job and if they didn't they wouldn't do it. If you ever tried to make something do something it didn't want to that weighed 1600lbs it doesn't work they do what they want. Also once these animals retired they live out the rest of their lives on a ranch somewhere breeding cows tell they can't know more. If you ask me this seems like a way better life than cattle that get to live tell there 2 years old and get butchered. Not to forget that those cattle normally aren't raised in a pastures they are raised in feedlots where diseases run wild and they get pumped full of hormones. I think you would have to be a very Ignorant and uneducated person to think rodeo livestock is treated poorly. Please visit some ranches that raise these animals and just see for yourself how great the livestock is treated

Name: Daniel

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 07:07 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I am against banning western sports.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 07:30 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please keep the Western Culture alive. It means so much to kids to

know that this type of culture exists. Rodeos and the western lifestyle has been around since 1800's. Please listen to the facts not hearsay. Like every thing we learn as we evolve. So some of the old ways are no longer used. We love our animals. KEEP RODEOS, the pony rides at Griffith Park. Keep childhood

memories alive.

Name: Steve Toby

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 08:22 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Don't ban rodeo in Los Angeles.

Name: Sara Rapp

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 08:34 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: As a native of California who was raised on a ranch, I am

respectfully asking that you reconsider your proposal to ban rodeo. Part of my elementary school years were spent in rodeo. My former stepfather is a rodeo producer & my brother is a professional cowboy. I have seen nothing but ethical, humane treatment of all the livestock. This ban would erase a vital part of California history. While I was in 4H, I was taught how to be a responsible, hardworking citizen in so many ways. Please do not take these agriculturally based opportunities away from today's young people. There is such a disconnect even now. Some kids don't even realize where corn actually comes from anymore, for example. They think you just get vegetables from cans in the grocery store. Their education is being stunted. And caring for animals in any venue teaches them to nuture. Thank you for your

thoughtful consideration.

Name: Amanda

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 08:40 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is a great sport and one of the original sports here in

America! Please don't take this sport away, it has so much to offer! Not only to the participants but to the fans and the city/

sponsors in revenue.

Name: Jack Gill

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 08:47 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I do not want this law passed as rodeo and horse events are part of

our heritage and the animals are athletes and are treated much

better than animals that live in the wild.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 09:20 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I support Rodeo and Western Sports. The most upsetting part

about this ordinance is that no professionals or experts from the Rodeo or the western industry were consulted by the Los Angeles City Council before they pushed the drafting of the ordinance

forward. Please, at least take the opportunity to educate yourselves about the equipment and usage before passing an

ordinance. Long Live Cowboys & Cowgirls.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 09:22 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is an American way of life! Nobody has the right to take

away our freedom's!

Name: Mitch Jacobs

Date Submitted: 02/24/2022 09:26 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I am against any ordinance that limits Western Sports, including,

but limited to rodeo, team roping and bull riding.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 06:54 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is one of the first sports in western heritage. I was part of

the rodeo community for over a decade in my youth, and continue to follow the circuit as a fan. I am an advocate for the animals used in rodeo, and I can tell you from my experience that the animals are treated far better than what the animal rights activists are portraying. For example, a bucking bronco bucks an average of 4 minutes a year! They are healthy, strong, and happy to their job. If rodeo is banned, what happens to the live stock? How are they going to be afforded to keep and feed? Please consider the consequences before banning a sport that cowboys and cowgirls love the animals more than people. Maybe put your focus on banning backyard puppy breeders? Dogs are dumped to die on the

streets all over California.

Name: Ralph B White

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 07:11 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: In reference to the measures under consideration to ban rodeo events, I just want to say that the animals are treated better, than your area treats your taxpayer base. The least of these animals are routinely treated as athletes, and cared for like children. Please, please, please ban the events and let them move away (out of your undeserving state) with their millions of dollars in taxable revenue, and tourism dollars from restaurants and hotels (the ones you haven't already killed with your glorious Wuhan lock-downs). We fans need these events located in better states, such as Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico and Texas. If the events aren't in your area for easy access... perhaps the ranchers, riders and hundreds of support businesses in your state will join the hemorrhage of businesses leaving for better pastures. After all, you are abandoning them, not the other way around. BTW, we recently had a retired PBR bull pass away. His name was Smooth Operator. He was an pampered, elite and beloved champion, that passed away quietly. There were many special shows on TV to commemorate his passing. Riders talked on the shows about the love and respect for him. PBR has a webpage devoted to him in memorial. There were moments of silence in nation wide arenas for weeks. Look him up. This is how we regard our livestock. These animals are family, and clearly don't deserve to be in your state and subject to the same senseless regulatory abuse you dish out to your own taxpayers.

Name: Jush Allen

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 08:10 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Save our western sports in LA! We treat all of our animals as our

children. This motion to ban western sports is a completely ignorant bias from those who have no idea about this lifestyle or the great care we all give to our animals. Do the right thing and come see it for yourself. No one is mistreating any animals.

Name: tom hill

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 09:39 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I'm against the banning of rodeo or any other animal sport in

california. we have a right to our heritage and way of life.

Name:

02/23/2022 11:11 PM **Date Submitted:**

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Our local hometown rodeo the California Rodeo Salinas has been around for over 110 years. I've been involved in rodeo since a was a little kid but not in the way you would expect. Our rodeo has a parade the weekend before the rodeo called the kiddie capers parade where kids can walk or enter in the parade and feel a part of the community. They each get a ribbon with a dollar and many vouchers to local restaurants and stores. Our rodeo brings people of all ages, ethnicities and experiences together to enjoy a family friendly event and raise money for hundreds of non profits (over half a million dollars annually!). Later in my life I competed, won and represented my hometown as miss California Rodeo Salinas in 2014. I loved being the leading lady of rodeo for many reasons but one was to be an example for hundreds of young women and girls. Empowering and encouraging girls is so important and rodeo does just that. I am also extremely passionate about agriculture and our roots in rodeo stem back to techniques still done on cattle ranches today. This ban on rodeo and some of our equipment was initiated by animal rights extremists who have no direct contact with our lifestyle. We have more then 70 rules already in place for the humane treatment of animals on top of always have a veterinarian on staff at every rodeo event and doing pre rodeo health checks/screenings. Did you know the average performance of a bull in a year is only 10 minutes? The remainder of their time is spent enjoying open pastures and fresh air. I would highly encourage you to reach out to a rodeo-like the California Rodeo Salinas or the equestrian Olympics team or a local Charros group to ask about how we treat our animals. Our livestock are like our family and honestly are treated better then most homeless people in LA. No one involved in Rodeo or the western industry was consulted by the Los Angeles City Council before they pushed the drafting of the ordinance forward. At least take the opportunity to educate yourselves about the equipment and usage before passing an ordinance. There are a number of businesses that count on the Professional Bull Riding and rodeo related activities at venues like the Staples Center that draw capacity crowds for their business. Those restaurants and businesses that gain income from the economic impact of these events will see their bottom line negatively impacted. With the economy already struggling and inflation at an all time high since 1981- I

encourage you to take a second look at how this ban will impact your local economic stimulation and support. More importantly, for me, rodeos raise awareness for engaging in youth to keep them off the streets, raise money for hundreds of non profits like Veterans associations, YMCA, breast cancer research (Susanne G Colleman foundation), domestic violence (Man Up Crusade) and hundreds more. Please reconsider removing this city ordinance.

Name: Cyndy Franz

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 01:40 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I grew up in the San Fernando Valley and spent nearly my adult

life here, I was involved with 4-H, FFA, competed in High School & College Rodeo and have shown and competed in many horse events, and still do to this day. The values and committments of raising and caring for animals is something that I learned as a young person, and has shaped the person I am today- Taking this right away from people is unthinkable, not having the opportunity to experience the gift ,responsibility and love of animals is not acceptable. Please do not take this right away from the people of

Los Angeles! Cyndy Franz Cyndyfranz@gmail.com

Name: Louise Leach

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 01:59 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please remove the ban on Rodeo In the City of Los Angeles

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:09 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Keep rodeo alive

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:11 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Keep rodeo alive

Name: Brian Civita

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:14 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Keep rodeo

Name: Amy

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:21 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I don't think I don't think they should be on it I honestly think the

riders get more hurt

Name: Joe willson

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:31 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: We need to keep cowboy lifestyle alive in LA County.

Name: Ryan valdiviez

Date Submitted: 02/22/2022 06:38 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Keep cowboy lifestyle alive in LA county.

Name: Suzie Alves

Date Submitted: 02/07/2022 09:12 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos are a very important factor in the history of our world. I

vote to keep rodeos happening.

Karolyn DeMott Name:

02/16/2022 09:19 PM **Date Submitted:**

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Bull Riding & Rodeo are a way of life just as any other Sport is.

The difference is "their equipment" is a living breathing animal, So They CARE more than any other athletes care about their Equipment. Not only doe Rodeo athletes CARE about & for their Animals, they TAKE CARE OF THEM each & every day. There is no other sport that teaches Discipline, Care, Compassion & Teamwork like the sport of Rodeo. Rodeo is part of American History, Spanish-American History and California's History. Why are you trying to control what your citizens see & hear with Rodeo but don't put any controls in place for the Violence, Filth,

Hatred, Dangerous Activities & Events that occurs in Los

Angeles every day. Shame on you for trying to erase our History

and Degrade the American Sport of Rodeo.

Name: Mitchell Kramer

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 08:42 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I OPPOSE the ban on the PBR and western sports that takes

excellent care of it's animals. These animals are cared for and are treated like family. Do not let misinformation and uneducated

voices cancel out such a beautiful sport.

Name: Lisa Elmassian

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 09:36 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please dismiss the ban on Rodeo in the city of Los Angeles

Name: Hugo

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 09:55 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I write in support of Western sports. Please do not ban Rodeo in

our city; it is part of our heritage that deserves protection.

Name: Christina Curtiss Wilson Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 09:56 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: To the City Council: Banning western sports (rodeos, horse

shows, etc) are contrary to founders of this state and it's storied history. It will have lasting detrimental effects. These events generate revenue (from food, feed, supplies, concessions, tax, and ticket sales). They create jobs, entertainment, education, and contribute to history. I implore you to vote against this measure.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 10:00 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I oppose the ban on rodeos, Bull riding, equestrian events in LA

county, please educate yourself on the western lifestyle and the treatment of the animal athletes and the way they are cared for and loved before making a decision on the false information being

provided by PETA.

Name: Judy Spraggins

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 10:00 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please consider the ramifications of this vote to ban the western

way of life. As a rancher and part of the heritage in caring for animals, they are always put first. Animals are our way of life, our livelihood, our passion. We instill these values into our children as they were instilled in us. This will trickle down to all avenues involving animals. I have yet had a PETA or animal show up to care for our stock during inclimate weather or do day to day chores. They are in front of the camera spewing untruths about our industry. Yes I am passionate about this cause. I am a 5th generation Oklahoma farmer and rancher raising another generation to carry on our values of stewardship of our land and care of our animals. Today we are facing 20 degrees wind chill 0 and 20 mph winds yet at 68 yrs of age I am out caring for cattle that are in the middle of calving. We must feed break ice and care for newborns. Don't tell me we are cruel to our livestock. We take this very serious.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 10:52 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please become much better educated before chosing to ban an

entire sport

Name: MM

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 11:01 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please remove the ban on Rodeo In the city of Los Angeles. How

many more rights and privileges will you remove? The people are tired of this. Spend your time and our money working on our homeless and crime challenges and leave the rest of us alone.

Name: Mandy Lowe

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 11:01 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: It is complete ignorance that this is even a topic!

Name: Jacquelyn

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 11:53 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please remove the ban on Rodeo and equestrian sports In the city

of Los Angeles.

Name: Andrea Cruz Rivera **Date Submitted:** 02/23/2022 12:14 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: To Whom It May Concern, My name is Andrea Cruz Rivera and I am submitting this public comment with the utmost support of the sport of rodeo (both American and Mexican disciplines) and other equestrian events. You see rodeo is more than just a sport. It is a culture. A community. A life style. Rodeo is rooted deep in our history, and I'm not just speaking of the cowboys and cowgirls of the wild wild west, but of America's Indigenous people who were horsemen long before settlers set foot on their shores. From that time until now, the sport of rodeo has progressed in unimaginable ways and yet still holds strong to its beginnings. I come from a long line of Mexican-American charros/charras/cowboys/cowgirls and I am continuing that line with three sons of my own. Growing up Mexican-American was truly a blessing. I was able to participate in both Mexican and American cultures and rodeo was a huge part of my experience. I remember watching my father compete at Charreadas (Mexican rodeos) across the state of California. My smile beamed with pride watching my mom ride side saddle but it was never bigger than when it was my turn to ride. As we sat with friends after a long day of competition, I heard generational stories and folk tales of Mexican cowboys that came before us. Weekends at a Charreada meant immersing myself in my culture's food, music, art, and comradery. I witnessed the hours of practice and preparation it took to compete. I was taught what it meant to put my animal's welfare before my own and to take pride in caring for the animals of rodeo. Because of where we live now, my husband and I will provide our sons with these same opportunities. However, if rodeo is banned in the City of Los Angeles, thousands of Mexican-Americans like myself and my sons, will be cut off from an essential part of their cultural and a chance to learn about this aspect of their history. As I have mentioned already, the sport of rodeo is progressing in the right direction. Most recently the American rodeo event of Women's Breakaway roping has sky rocketed in popularity. An event that was once scarce, breakaway roping is now being featured at some of the biggest rodeos on the continent and with it comes life changing prize money, awards, sponsorships, recognition, and most importantly opportunities for all generations of the woman of rodeo. The event of Breakaway roping is providing cowgirls at the age of 12 the chance to

compete against their mentors, their idols. Imagine if you will Tom Brady playing against Joe Montana...this is exactly what is happening in the sport of rodeo. Jackie Crawford is the event's leading lady and holds 19 world championship titles. Thousands of cowgirls young and old, consider her their idol. I literally dreamed and spoke of the day when Breakaway roping would become an event at the NFR (National Finals Rodeo, the sports "superbowl") and to see it so close to fruition gives me the chills and inspires me in so many ways. Don't ban rodeo and take away an opportunity for a Los Angeles girl or woman to be inspired...you could be stopping the next Jackie Crawford. There is a valid concern for the welfare of the animals used in the sport of rodeo. A concern that, believe it or not, is shared by those involved in rodeo; from the cowboys and cowgirls that compete, to the stock contractors, to the rodeo production crew. Animal welfare is a top priority and often times an animal's well-being is held higher than that of the competitor. This is clearly demonstrated when cowboys or cowgirls forfeit their chance to win (to earn money) in order protect an animal. Various rules and regulations to protect rodeo's livestock have been established and are strictly enforced. Monetary fines and penalties are imposed but a sense of pride is most effective. You see true cowboys and cowgirls want to be known for putting the animal's welfare above their own. True stock contractors want to be known for not only producing the best livestock to compete on, but also for providing that animal with a great home. The animals of rodeo are provided with excellent diet options, internal medicine, climate controlled travel, and holistic practices such as water therapy and massage (yes, bucking bulls get massages!) I encourage anyone who doubts this sincerity to speak with and spend time with a cowboy, a stock contractor, or a rodeo producer; the proof is in the everyday pudding. Thank you for taking the time to read my comment. It is my sincerest hope that the City of Los Angeles will continue to allow its citizens to experience the sport of rodeo as it is the same as experiencing culture and history. Thank you.

Name: Teddy Drinnin

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 12:40 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: The bulls are taken care of better than some children are. They are

worth between 250,000 and 500,00 dollars. They have

Veterinarians that take care of them. I think the bulls are better

taken care of better than the cowboys.

Name: Reid Gibson

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 01:10 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please reconsider this Council File. You will in effect ruin the

Horse industry in Los Angeles.

Name: Jessica Ansel

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 01:13 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: DON'T BAN OUR RODEO'S! I am born and raised in California.

My grandfather put me on his big palomino gelding when I was four years old, over 60 years ago. Rodeos are our heritage! As all our ranching and equine events. WE WILL FIGHT YOU UNTIL

WE WIN!

Name: Hollie Yang

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 01:28 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please remove the ban on rodeo in Los Angeles county.

Name: Doreen Galoyan

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:02 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I have been a member of the equine community in Shadow Hills

for over 20 years. Many of my friends competitively compete in various equine sports. I do know that the safety of all animals involved is taken very seriously, not only for the sake of the animal but the owners have a lot of money invested in these animals and therefore take exceptional care of them. I believe many of the sports where animals are abused or injured already have rules and regulations in place and hence are already being

enforced.

Name: Paul

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:07 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: We need to preserve rodeo and all equine events in Los Angeles.

It's good for everyone including the animal athletes. The animals are treated extremely well and receive excellent care at all times.

Name: Ann Scott McGilchrist

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:27 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo. I grew up in LA county. I grew up

competing at junior rodeos, high school rodeos, and professional rodeos. My family and I also have made our living working on movies and tv shows doing stunts. We specialize in horse stunts. I now have a little girl who competes at junior rodeos. I have taught her that we must take care of our animals first. Feeding them before ourselves. We make sure that our animals are well taken care of. If they weren't taken care of they wouldn't be able to compete at such a high level. My horses love their jobs! They are true athletes! My horses have also been so healing to me in a time of loss. In a world that is going crazy right now we need our animals more than ever! Please again I ask you don't take my heart and soul of rodeo away from us. In an event that brings families together. Teaching children how to take care of animals. No cowboy wants to see an animal in distress. Only someone that didn't truly know about rodeo would say that. Thank you, Ann

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:28 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Everyone and anyone who can see this, rodeo isn't a bad sport it's

simple a different way of playing sports just like basketball you use a ball, football you use a ball, baseball you use a ball, water polo you use a ball and pool, rodeo you use livestock animals and horses. Rodeo is another way for kids as well as adults to have fun and stay away from trouble. Sure you can get hurt but any sport you play there's always a way you can get hurt. If you stop rodeo your just taking a sport away your taking kids dreams, legacies,

and generations passed down to generation.

Name: Bonnie Voelz

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:14 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council members, I come from a rodeo family, beginning with my father in 1919, as a young boy at that time he was about 16 years old. The ranchers would gather and ride bucking horses to see who was the best and the horse usually won. It was all in fun and just to gather together as neighbors on a Sunday afternoon. No animals were injured, most of the time it was the cowboy who was hurt. This carried on to my two brothers, my sister, and my self. We were all involved in the sport of rodeo. My son and his daughter are all involved in it. We and they all love our animals and treat them as well as many people treat the dogs and cats. They are fed and watered before we eat. We love them as one of our family. It is a clean and God loving sport. We share our animals with others and they treat them as we do. Please do not ban rodeo or other animal events. They bring so much joy to so many, and provide a living for thousands all over our country, Canada, Mexico, Australia and other countries. More cowboys are injured then animals. People on the streets are of L.A are in worse condition and live in filth, perhaps you should ban living like that! They do not bring any thing to the economy. Respectfully submitted. Bonnie Voelz

Name: Alexander

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:39 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: You should worry about the homeless not the animals who are treated better than the homeless!

Diane Schieltz Name:

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:43 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Diane Schieltz and I live in Ventura County. I am a cattlemen's daughter since I was born but took up Team Roping when I started dating my husband about 20 years ago. I am what you would call a "Weekend Warrior" as I work full time as a Controller for a company in Oxnard, CA. I have found a passion that I love and that I can do with my family and friends. Not to mention the stress relief I get as soon as I get to see my horses. They are my therapy. Rodeo has been a way of life for me and my family, and I am blessed to have grown up with the western lifestyle mentality. It has taught me hard work since I was a young child taking care of horses and cattle, and today, I still hear my father words, "The animals eat before we do!". It would be a shame of the City of Los Angeles bans western sports events. I won my first buckle at a USTRC roping in City of Industry. When I go to competitions or rodeo events I am always so impressed with the children. At a young age, they have been taught to, "hold the door for a lady", "use their please and thank yous", and can actually have a conversation with an adult instead of staring into a cell phone trance. These kids would rather be outdoors, getting dirty, tending to their horses, roping the dummy with their friends and many other things instead of in the house playing XBOX. When I attended the event on 2-22-22 at the Crypto Center in LA, I was so impressed to see all walks of life and ages fighting for this injustice. This should not be something we should be fighting about. We should be fighting together to help the homeless around LA and find a way to make it a better, safer place. It has been a while since I have been to downtown and was shocked at the homeless and trash. It made me so sad. We should be grateful that Rodeo events bring in so much revenue to help our cities and our State of California. Heck, I had a wonderful dinner after the event and spent over \$ 300.00 for two people. I am sure I was not the only one that did that. If LA abolishes western sports events, they will move them to anther county and eventually another State taking their revenue and pride with them. This would be such a shame if this gets passed and the city of Los Angeles bans western sports events. I wish that your committee would reconsider. Sincerely, Diane Schieltz



Name: Cecelia Whitehead

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 10:24 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Happy to say my life is part of the rodeo family. This is the oldest

sport in American why are they even concerned about this our children need to know the life of the American cowboy. Please

remove ban.

Name: Amanda

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 04:07 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Being the miss rodeo California 2018 I have learned first hand the

rules and regulations of all rodeo and equine events. This would impact more people, families and individuals than you can even

imagine!

Name: Amber

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 04:42 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I am against the Rodeo Ban. I do not agree. I believe if you take

away rodeo activities, then you will come for horse ownership. This ban is ridiculous. Our performance animals are prized and well taken care of. We need this culture. It makes better people. If you cancel these activities, it just furthers the demise of the west.

No to Rodeo Ban!

Name: Marc Kolbe

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 04:24 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I am in support of keeping Rodeo Events! Please do not ban any

Rodeo or Equestrian events.

Name: Carolyn Elliott

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 05:36 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please protect equestrian events in Los Angeles. From pony rides

to rodeo, to show jumping to trail riding; humans and animals

have worked in partnership for decades for pleasure, entertainment and agricultural purposes. Please do not let a group of unhinged 'activists' who do not understand equines and their care disrupt long traditions and livelihoods. Working and living with horses is a deep part of our culture, and those who do not understand, need not participate. Please work towards creating understanding = the further we get away from living close to the earth, knowing where our food comes from, respecting animals and nature the further away we get from ever helping animals or each other. One can not 'help' what one does not understand. I speak for those like myself who have dedicated a lifetime to the care and husbandry of equines, who is grateful to live in a community where horse ownership is still possible (Lake View Terrace) and has been terrified watching Mr. Weeks at the pony rides be personally attacked, had his home surrounded and watched the paid protesters put an ugly spin on a beautiful place. As I watch them turn their attention to Rodeo, I fear that anyone who rides horseback will be under attack from their aggressive campaign. Please protect us from their ugly attacks. We need your help. Thank you!

Name: Eric Mills, coordinator, ACTION FOR ANIMALS - Oakland

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 03:59 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I URGE YOUR UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FOR THIS

HUMANE PROPOSAL. Rodeo has nothing to do with agriculture or life on a working ranch, it's mostly macho hype. For most of these exploited and abused animals, the rodeo arena is merely a detour en route to the slaughterhouse. Be aware that EVERY animal welfare organization in North America condemns rodeo due to its inherent cruelty. Even Cesar Chavez was an outspoken of both rodeos and charreadas (Mexican-style rodeos). The United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales) outlawed all of rodeo back in 1934. Germany and the Netherlands soon followed suit. Can the U.S. be far behind? As Tennessee Williams famously wrote, "Cruelty is the only unforgivable sin." ("Night of the Iguana") - words to live by. x Eric Mills, coordinator ACTION FOR

ANIMALS Oakland, California SEE VIDEO:

www.buckingtradition.com

Name: Cynthia Branum

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 06:06 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please keep our sport including public Rodeos, horse Shows.

Parades, all horse sporting events alive and continuing in Los Angeles and surrounding areas in Southern California. If this sport

goes away, you are in effect destroying family and friendly traditions that have withstood the test of time and many

generations. This is our Culture. If you take Rodeo away, you would be putting young people back on the street who left the streets and found a meaningful equestrian sport to occupy free

time.

Name: Montykemp

Date Submitted: 02/23/2022 06:08 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Leave rodeo and horse events alone!

Name: Brianne Bond

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 05:24 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please save rodeo and the western heritage events! Seek the truth

of the events and committees and don't be swayed by ignorant

trouble seekers.

Name: Regina Griggs

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 05:40 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: The rodeo community in no way shape or form harms their

animals. They are like family members. Banning rodeos and other events like team roping and barrel racing is short sighted and a knee jerk reaction to the complaints of a group of people that don't know anything about livestock. Having rodeos can be the bridge to help all people respect the western and rural lifestyle that is the foundation for the food and clothing we need to survive. Preserve and promote rodeo. Don't restrict and ban it.

Name: Dan

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 06:02 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not Ban Rodeo!!! The animals in Rodeo are treated with

absolute love and care. Rodeo provides a platform for those who aren't educated in the care of animals. I vote to not ban Rodeo in

southern Calif or any part of California for that matter.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:09 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I believe this ban is ridiculous and is based on ignorance of the

sport. None of the items mentioned in the ban put these athletes

(bulls) in any danger.

Name: Brittney Brockenbush

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 08:31 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo!

Name: Yvonne Pickerell

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 06:15 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Do not judge something you do not understand! Save the rodeo

and the Western way of life!

Name: Edwin Calderon

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 06:53 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Am I born Angelino and proud of my western heritage. i'm a

former rodeo cowboy and still ride horses are therapy from my daily stress. I love animals and for that same reason, I would never engage in animal abuse. I take better care of my animals

than myself. Not all athletes were born to compete in

contemporary sports. Some of us, grew up on ranches and in order to compete with other cowboys, western sports was the answer. Besides, this nation was built because of people like myself. My little girls are competing as we speak. It keeps them disciplined and teaches them responsibility. We built this country, please protect our western heritage, please protect our western sports.

Name:

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 07:25 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo. As cowboys our very first priority is the

welfare and well being of our animals. We spend thousands of dollars every year to make sure our animals are healthy and strong and receive the best care possible. These animals become a

strong and receive the best care possible. These animals become a part of our family and are treated as such. Rodeo is part of our heritage. My grandfather and father we're both involved in rodeo and taught me from a young age the importance of loving and

caring for our animals.

Name: Nate Medcalf

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 08:01 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please leave rodeo sports alone. Rodeo is a part of America's

heritage. Rodeo generates millions of dollars all over the country.

Name: Clint

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 08:17 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Please DON'T band rodeo.

Name: Kik

Date Submitted: 02/26/2022 11:31 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is family traditions for generations and generations, It's not

just a sport it is a way of life! Please don't ban rodeo!!

Name: Jennifer Day

Date Submitted: 02/25/2022 03:57 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Historically I have traveled each year to LA to attend in person

the PBR. I was not able to do so this year but look forward to many more years. Please keep rodeo, livestock events, bull riding

and the western life style in LA. Thank you.