## **Communication from Public**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I support the motion to ban dangerous and cruel rodeo events

from coming to Los Angeles. I'm a firm believer in not treading on others' freedoms but for me that ends when those choices causes harm to another individual. Rodeos should be banned for the same reason that murder, assault, human trafficking, wildlife trafficking, and traveling wild animal performances have been banned in Los Angeles. All of these actions have victims, nonconsenting individuals being harmed by the decisions of others. Our species has evolved past the days of fights to the death and man vs beast in the Coliseum. We no longer need to harm others to entertain ourselves. Flank straps, hot shots, spurs, and ropes are all tools of torture. It's time we celebrate Western culture by relegating this archaic and barbaric tradition to museums and textbooks.