

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Paula Marie Botan

**Date Submitted:** 01/27/2021 02:49 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1609

**Comments for Public Posting:** I would like to strongly urge the council to offer a \$5.00 per hour bonus/hazard pay for front line grocery workers. I am an employee of Costco Wholesale in Northridge California and know first hand the health issues we are risking simply by going to work everyday and doing our jobs. Several of my coworkers have tested positive for Covid-19 and have dealt with the attendant illness and it's lingering effects. While I understand that grocery workers are an essential part of the economy and that we must continue to perform our duties to ensure that citizens have access to food and necessary supplies in this unprecedented time, we must also value the work they are performing and the risks they are taking for themselves and their loved ones. Thank you for your consideration.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Linda Lucks

**Date Submitted:** 01/28/2021 09:25 AM

**Council File No:** 20-1609

**Comments for Public Posting:** My name is and Linda Lucks. I live in Council District 11. I'm writing to express my strong support for the emergency, temporary ordinance of \$5.00 hazard pay for grocery workers in the City of Los Angeles. Grocery and drug retail workers have risked their lives to keep our communities fed and connected to the critical resources they have needed throughout the pandemic. Many grocery and drug retail workers are BIPOC women and have become the primary earners in their households as families struggle under the combined weight of COVID-19 and widespread unemployment. Working Angelenos, especially families of color, have also not been able to shelter in place throughout the pandemic because they are more likely to hold essential jobs and thus face an increased exposure to the virus. Members of UFCW770 and grocery workers across the city of Los Angeles have been calling on grocery store corporations to reinstate hazard pay as companies see record profits. Major grocers quietly let the hazard pay they once offered at the start of the pandemic expire as COVID rates soar and Intensive Care Unit capacities are at a breaking point. Yet, workers continue to face hazardous working conditions and risk their health in order to provide life saving resources for our communities. This is the right policy for this unprecedented moment. Los Angeles must lead as it always has in fighting for the rights and dignity of working people. Thank you for your leadership.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** esme

**Date Submitted:** 01/28/2021 11:00 AM

**Council File No:** 20-1609

**Comments for Public Posting:** My name is Esme and I live in District 4. I am a public health professional and a member of various communitiy organizations. I'm writing to express my strong support for the emergency, temporary ordinance of \$5.00 hazard pay for grocery workers in the City of Los Angeles. Grocery and drug retail workers have risked their lives to keep our communities fed and connected to the critical resources they have needed throughout the pandemic. Many grocery and drug retail workers are BIPOC women and have become the primary earners in their households as families struggle under the combined weight of COVID-19 and widespread unemployment. Working Angelenos, especially families of color, have also not been able to shelter in place throughout the pandemic because they are more likely to hold essential jobs and thus face increased exposure to the virus. Members of UFCW770 and grocery workers across the city of Los Angeles have been calling on grocery store corporations to reinstate hazard pay as companies see record profits. Major grocers quietly let the hazard pay they once offered at the start of the pandemic expire as COVID rates soar and Intensive Care Unit capacities are at a breaking point. Yet, workers continue to face hazardous working conditions and risk their health in order to provide life-saving resources for our communities. This is the right policy for this unprecedented moment. Los Angeles must lead as it always has in fighting for the rights and dignity of working people. Thank you for your leadership.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jeshow Yang

**Date Submitted:** 01/28/2021 11:24 AM

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## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rebecca Rufer

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**Comments for Public Posting:** My name is Rebecca Rufer and I live in City Council District 13. I'm writing to express my strong support for the emergency, temporary ordinance of \$5.00 hazard pay for grocery workers in the City of Los Angeles. This is a no-brainer. Grocery and drug retail workers have risked their lives to keep our communities fed and connected to the critical resources we all need. Workers continue to face hazardous working conditions and risk their health in order to provide life saving resources for our communities. Meanwhile, major grocers quietly let the hazard pay they once offered at the start of the pandemic expire. This is unacceptable! Members of UFCW770 and grocery workers across the city of Los Angeles have been calling on grocery store corporations to reinstate hazard pay as companies see record profits. Please do your part in fighting for these people who keep us safe and fed day after day during this pandemic. Thank you for your time.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ashley Gonzales

**Date Submitted:** 01/29/2021 09:18 AM

**Council File No:** 20-1609

**Comments for Public Posting:** My name is Ashley Gonzales and I live in District 13 with Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice. I'm writing to express my strong support for the emergency, temporary ordinance of \$5.00 hazard pay for grocery workers in the City of Los Angeles. Grocery and drug retail workers have risked their lives to keep our communities fed and connected to the critical resources they have needed throughout the pandemic. Many grocery and drug retail workers are BIPOC women and have become the primary earners in their households as families struggle under the combined weight of COVID-19 and widespread unemployment. Working Angelenos, especially families of color, have also not been able to shelter in place throughout the pandemic because they are more likely to hold essential jobs and thus face an increased exposure to the virus. Members of UFCW770 and grocery workers across the city of Los Angeles have been calling on grocery store corporations to reinstate hazard pay as companies see record profits. Major grocers quietly let the hazard pay they once offered at the start of the pandemic expire as COVID rates soar and Intensive Care Unit capacities are at a breaking point. Yet, workers continue to face hazardous working conditions and risk their health in order to provide life saving resources for our communities. This is the right policy for this unprecedented moment. Los Angeles must lead as it always has in fighting for the rights and dignity of working people. Thank you for your leadership.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cecilia Ribordy  
**Date Submitted:** 02/04/2021 06:27 PM  
**Council File No:** 20-1609

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## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jennifer Gutierrez

**Date Submitted:** 02/04/2021 03:56 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The grocery chains have been raking in record profits during the pandemic. It is the workers that have born the risk for all of us during this time. The chains must share those profits with the workers. Requiring hazard pay is one way to make sure the workers are justly compensated for their courageous work.