

Communication from Public

Name: Carolyn "Jiyoung" Park

Date Submitted: 08/24/2021 03:15 PM

Council File No: 21-0002-S83

Comments for Public Posting: I am a constituent of Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell in Council District 13. The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council, of which I am a constituent and a current governing board member, submitted a community impact statement in support of this motion. I am writing here as an individual. I strongly support the singlepayer CalCare AB1400 bill which will guarantee comprehensive healthcare for all California residents regardless of income, age, and employment or immigrant status. The pandemic has shown us that public health requires that every single person in our communities must have access to healthcare. The pandemic has also highlighted that public is public wealth. The U.S. is the worst-performing nation for health care among a group of 11 high-income countries, according to a recent study by health policy think tank The Commonwealth Fund. The U.S. ranked last in the metrics of access to care, administrative efficiency, equity and health care outcomes. Twenty-two studies agreed that a "Medicare for All" single-payer system would guarantee comprehensive coverage to everyone in America and save money, according to a recent article published in PLOS Medicine. These studies included ones conducted by the UC's, Yale, and even the Mercatus Center, a right-wing think tank, which found about \$2 trillion in net savings over 10 years from a single-payer Medicare for All system. Notably, the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) of the City of Los Angeles recommended that the City pass the resolution. Given the sway that this body has in Sacramento, I urge each council member to advocate for what will serve each Angeleno best - passing singlepayer healthcare in California.

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Name: Reggie Wong

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Comments for Public Posting: There are more than a million covid cases in LA County and 2.7 million people in the county have no health insurance, according to our Department of Health. This sounds like the perfect storm for more outbreaks in our area. The CalCare bill AKA AB1400 would make sure everyone in the state can get medical treatment if they became sick with covid and keep the disease from spreading. Of course CalCare would cover a number of other health issues that Californians are missing out on. We need Medicare for All more than ever. Please approve the resolution to support CalCare. Thank you.

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Name: Bronwyn Major

Date Submitted: 08/25/2021 07:18 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Aloha Councilmembers, Please pass the CalCare Resolution. In the midst of a pandemic, a climate crisis, a homelessness crisis... it is painfully clear the many reasons why now, more than ever, we need a Single-Payer Health Care system in California and beyond. Fires, floods, pollution... Greed, denials, cruelty. ENOUGH! Health Care is a Human Right! WE MUST LEAD THE STATE AND THE NATION. We cannot afford to have another family end up on the street due to medical debt. It begins and ends here. Today. I implore you - please vote yes on the CalCare Resolution. CalCare AB 1400 will halt the unnecessary cruel, destructive, counterproductive and costly consequences of an extractive corporate based health insurance system operating for profit at our expense. Joining the rest of the developed world and first economy nations, AB 1400 ensures that Health Care dollars will be spent on the delivery of health care and not extracted away from care to increase shareholder profits and fill corporate coffers with taxpayer funds. CalCare saves lives and it saves money. Los Angeles would save billions in healthcare costs by state adoption of single-payer AB 1400. The city treasury would be available for other essential expenditures, of which there are plenty. Los Angeles is a major economic and cultural engine of California. As Los Angeles City takes the lead, the state will follow. Your leadership matters within LA and beyond. LA can be the catalyst finally bringing California into the 21st century. Thank you for your time and consideration. Mahalo, Bronwyn Major

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Name: Denis P. Recendez

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Comments for Public Posting: Thank you Council Members for considering this resolution in support of AB 1400 (CalCare). I have been a proud employment of a private non-profit college in Claremont for over 20 years. In my entire time there, the college has never had to layoff or furlough employees. Unfortunately, due COVID 19, the college had to furlough many employees. Thankfully, the college was able to maintain the healthcare of these furlough employees. But, millions of people across the state who were furloughed, laid off or fired lost access their employment provided healthcare. The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the need for CalCare now more than ever. California has the power to keep people from living in desperation. People in the United States should not be resorting to GoFundMe to cover healthcare costs. We are the 5 largest economy in the world, even larger then Canada, who has a comprehensive, not-for-profit, healthcare system for all their residents. Please show your concern and support of the people of Los Angeles county and vote in favor of the resolution supporting AB 1400 (CalCare). Thank you, Denis P. Recendez

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Name: Betty Toto

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Comments for Public Posting: The COVID-19 Pandemic and resulting economic crisis revealed the inherent failures and inequities of our current healthcare system; people of color and underserved communities have disproportionately paid with their lives, and the social and economic destruction caused by the pandemic was only made worse under an employer-based system not designed to deliver healthcare to everyone. No one should go without health care coverage because they lost their jobs due to a pandemic or any other crisis. No one should go bankrupt because they can not afford health care bills No one should be denied care for the lack of affordability There is a solution that can save all Californians' money and save lives. A health care system that will provide Guaranteed Comprehensive Health Care for All Californians. We have an opportunity to pass Assembly Bill 1400 (Calcare) in our state legislature. AB1400/Calcare will provide us with guaranteed comprehensive healthcare that is considerably more affordable. Your vote to pass this Resolution supporting AB1400 will indicate to Angelenos that you prioritize their health, wellbeing and their financial stability. A vote to pass this resolution is a vote for the benefit of your constituents.