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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(12) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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This motion is a humane and necessary immediate response to the much larger structural crisis of homelessness in Los Angeles. We therefore endorse this proposal to make regularly serviced receptacles available at every encampment in Los Angeles. Doing so will improve sanitation, remove dangerous pests, reduce the risk of fire and disease for both those who live in encampments and their neighbors, visitors, and passersby and, most importantly, enhance the quality of life for our neighbors living on our streets.

We strongly recommend that whatever type of the 1,000 receptacles that are funded for Los Angeles Department of Sanitation be: large enough to accommodate the waste from an encampment over a period of several days; secure enough so as not to become part of the permanent street infrastructure (i.e. bolted in place); and portable enough to be reused and redeployed as encampments shift locations.

We particularly applaud the commitment specified in the motion that mandates regular servicing of the receptacles through a formal program which hopefully will end the City's shameful past practice of the non-dispersal and abandonment of trash receptacles at homeless encampments. We hope that the City will respect the dignity of our

unhoused neighbors by ensuring hereafter that these bins are maintained, emptied and cleaned on a regular schedule and that new locations are added as needed.

RESOLUTION

On November 23, 2021, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act noticed-meeting, at 7pm through zoom. With a quorum of 13 board members present and vote count of 12 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention, the Board resolved to write a letter of support for the application as set forth above.

Respectfully,

Echo Park Neighborhood Council

Nick Marcone

Secretary, Echo Park Neighborhood Council