

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Colin Bogart

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2022 03:53 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council President Martinez and Council Members, I'm writing to ask you to vote yes on LA City San Gabriels resolution (council file #22-0002- S98) in support of the Public Lands Act proposed by Senator Alex Padilla. There are several local benefits to passage of the bill. 1) In the Los Angeles area, the bill would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. 2) The PUBLIC Lands Act will increase equitable access to the outdoors in the Los Angeles area by expanding the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument and establishing a new National Recreation Area. The National Recreation Area has the potential to improve access to open space for communities such as Baldwin Park and El Monte that lack access to parks. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the state. 3) The legislation will help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. In the San Gabriel Mountains, the bill protects habitat for Bighorn Sheep and bigcone Douglas fir, which are both gravely threatened by climate change. 4) Protecting our public lands and rivers is an important investment in our state's ongoing economic recovery. The legislation will conserve places that are beloved for outdoor activities. As it becomes safe to travel again, protecting these places will help bolster our state's outdoor recreation economy. Prior to the pandemic, this industry was a significant economic driver, in local communities and throughout the state. The Angeles National Forest supports about \$83.2 million annually in labor income for wage earners and local businesses including food and lodging services, arts, entertainment and recreation, real estate, rental and leasing, and retail trade services and about 1,600

jobs annually. Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Sincerely, Colin Bogart Pasadena Resident

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lionel Mares

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2022 05:51 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, I am writing in urging you to SUPPORT the H.R. 693 / San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act / H.R. 1075 and S. 1769 / Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act / Federal Land Protection / Boundary Expansion (Council File: 22-0002-S98). I am a graduate of the L.A. Nature For All's Steward Leadership Academy. Throughout my time at the Nature For All Leadership Academy, I have learned a lot about our PUBLIC LANDS, and the importance of protecting and preserving PUBLIC LAND for future generations to enjoy. The San Gabriel Mountains and Angeles National Forests is a unique and beautiful place to Explore and Hike. I have hiked the San Gabriel Mountains many times and the views are breathtaking and beautiful. The mountains are a beautiful place to find peace and escape city life. I am a strong advocate for the preservation and protection of Public Lands and Rivers. I strongly believe that it is in the city of Los Angeles's best interest to show support for these Resolutions. I ask that you vote in favor of supporting these resolutions. Here's why: The PUBLIC Lands Act, championed by Senator Alex Padilla, will protect and increase access to over 1 million acres of public lands and over 500 miles of rivers in Northwest California, on the Central Coast, and near Los Angeles. In the Los Angeles area, the bill would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. While Californians enjoy some of the best public lands in the country, many communities—especially communities of color—do not have equitable access to these places. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near communities that have limited access to the outdoors. Protecting our public lands and rivers is an important investment in our state's ongoing economic recovery. The legislation will conserve places that are beloved for outdoor activities. As it becomes safe to travel again, protecting these places will help bolster our state's outdoor recreation economy. Prior to the pandemic, this industry was a significant economic driver, in local communities and throughout the state.



August 15, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
Council & Public Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is **Lionel Mares** and I live in Council District 6, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)**, and the **Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075)** and **(S.1769)**

The **San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act** which is part of the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)** would expand the **San Gabriel Mountains National Monument** by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

I believe your support for the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)**, and the **Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075)** and **(S.1769)** will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

**Lionel Mares**

## Communication from Public

**Name:** James Cortes-Rivera  
**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2022 06:08 PM  
**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98  
**Comments for Public Posting:** In support of San Gabriel Mountains/Rim of the Valley  
Legislations

August 15, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
Council & Public Services Division

Respected Council Members:

My name is James Cortes-Rivera and I work in economic equity in the San Gabriel Valley. I am writing to ask that you **approve** the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769).

The resolution will have a positive impact on the health of our communities and advance a vision for a cleaner and more resilient California. The San Gabriel Mountains constitute 70% of the available open space in Los Angeles County. Protecting places like the San Gabriel mountains so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California.

I am in favor of the legislation because it would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley where residents can continue to enjoy public spaces.

Furthermore, the legislation will create a more resilient California by taking steps that directly address climate change. The legislation will protect public lands from oil and gas drilling, improve carbon sequestration, and preserve wildlife corridors. This legislation is in line with the goals of President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

Your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will increase climate resilience and improve our relationship to the environment by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

Please vote in favor of the legislation and help California stay on a path to create a clean, resilient, and livable state. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James Cortes-Rivera  
213 926 9830  
[Jcortes310@berkeley.edu](mailto:Jcortes310@berkeley.edu)

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alisha Lopez

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2022 08:59 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** August 15, 2022 Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Alisha Lopez and I currently live in Highland Park (District 1). I am a mother and grandmother, who has resided in Los Angeles City since 1992. I also work in cities throughout the San Gabriel Valley at a local non-profit public health organization. I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city Resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic Rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriel Mountains so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to address President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the city's commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. I'd like to take my grandson hiking and on picnics in the nearby San Gabriel Mountains for many years to come, so I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for current and future generations. THANK YOU for your consideration. Sincerely, Alisha Lopez

August 15, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
Council & Public Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is Alisha Lopez and I currently live in Highland Park (District 1). I am a mother and grandmother, who has resided in Los Angeles City since 1992. I also work in cities throughout the San Gabriel Valley at a local non-profit public health organization.

I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city Resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769)

The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic Rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriel Mountains so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to address President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the city's commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

I'd like to take my grandson hiking and on picnics in the nearby San Gabriel Mountains for many years to come, so I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for current and future generations. THANK YOU for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Alisha Lopez

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Azeneth Martinez  
**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 03:28 PM  
**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Attn: Los Angeles City Council Dear Council Members: My name is Azeneth Martinez and I live in the city of Sylmar, I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preand waters by 203serving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands 0. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Azeneth Martinez Nature For All Coalition Coordinator

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Michelle Race

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 06:02 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** I support this legislation because it will provide increased access to communities of color who bear a disproportionate lack of access to green space. This is a critical equity issue for the state.



[August 16, 2022]

Attn: Los Angeles City  
Council  
Office of the City  
Clerk  
Council & Public  
Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is Michelle Race and I live in Lomita, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769)

The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michelle Race

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Albert Sotelo

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 06:34 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** August 16, 2022 Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Albert Sotelo and I live in Rosemead, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Albert Sotelo

## Communication from Public

**Name:** David Stump

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 08:05 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** August 16, 2022 Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is David Stump and I live in Los Angeles council district 13, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. Los Angeles desperately needs public lands and easy transportation to these lands. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, David Stump



August 16, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City  
Council  
Office of the City  
Clerk  
Council & Public  
Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is David Stump and I live in Los Angeles council district 13, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769)

The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

Los Angeles desperately needs public lands and easy transportation to these lands.

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I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Stump

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ann Dorsey

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 08:18 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** I urge the City Council to approve Council File #22-0002- S98. Protecting undeveloped lands is critical to our future. The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres, designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range as well as establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. Protecting the San Gabriel Mountains, which provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space, will make it possible for more Angelenos, especially residents of color, to access the outdoors, will help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors and will be critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 09:12 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** August 16, 2022 Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Betty Lininger and I live in Pasadena CA and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Betty Lininger



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August 16, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City  
Council  
Office of the City  
Clerk  
Council & Public  
Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is Betty Lininger and I live in Pasadena CA and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769)

The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

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That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Betty Lininger

## Communication from Public

**Name:** CECIL K PHILIP

**Date Submitted:** 08/16/2022 10:49 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** [August 11, 2022] Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is CECIL K PHILIP and I live in LEWISVILLE, TX, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, CECIL K PHILIP

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jerry Tobe

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 01:01 AM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** I've read the Resolution (Raman - Koretz - de Leon) to include in the City's 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program its position on H.R. 693, the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act, and H.R. 1075 and S. 1769, the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act. I strongly urge the City Council to put the Resolution (Raman - Koretz - de Leon) to include in the City's 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program its position on H.R. 693, the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act, and H.R. 1075 and S. 1769, the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act on the Mayor's desk for the Mayor's concurrence. I strongly urge you to convince the US Congress to put the PUBLIC Lands Act (S. 1459), H.R. 693, the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act, and H.R. 1075 and S. 1769, the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act on President Biden's desk before 12/9/2022. I do so because - the Earth faces a global extinction crisis never before witnessed by humankind, with scientists predicting that more than 1 million species are in extreme danger of extinction in the coming decades; - parks and public lands serve an essential role in preserving natural resources and wildlife habitats, protecting clean water and clean air, and providing access to nature and an essential connection-for people of all ages and abilities to the life-enhancing benefits of nature and the outdoors; and - LA County is one of the most park-poor, densely-populated and polluted areas in the nation which impacts the health and well-being of me, my family, and my fellow Angelenos. May you do ONLY that which is truly best for the environment and the vast majority of Angelenos and cause those people as little harm as humanly possible. Thank you for reading my comments and prayer.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jennifer Ho  
**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 09:33 AM  
**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi - My name is Jennifer, and I'm a resident of Los Angeles. Growing up in the SGV, I never fully appreciated the San Gabriel Mountains until I became an adult. It is my hope that these lands become more accessible, protected, and thoughtfully stewarded by the community and native Indigenous peoples. As a California Naturalist and Climate Reality Leader, I am writing to ask that you approve the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and (S.1769). Protecting open spaces like the San Gabriel Mountains has many benefits: - EQUITY: While Californians enjoy some of the best public lands in the country, many communities—especially communities of color—do not have equitable access to these places. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near communities that have limited access to the outdoors. - CLIMATE RESILIENCE: The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. - BIODIVERSITY PROTECTION: In the San Gabriel Mountains, the bill protects habitat for Bighorn Sheep and Bigcone Douglas fir, which are both gravely threatened by climate change. I urge you to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) to help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Jennifer H.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Theresa Kardos

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 10:04 AM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Theresa Kardos and I live in Cortlandt Manor, N.Y. As an environmental educator and field biologist, a parent and grandparent, and a citizen who cares deeply about conservation and preserving biodiversity, I urge you to approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act, which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. It would also will protect and increase access to over 1 million acres of public lands and over 500 miles of rivers in Northwest California, on the Central Coast, and near Los Angeles, and establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. On California's Central Coast, the bill would call for a study for a 400 mile-long Condor National Scenic Trail and protect over 300,000 acres of public lands and 150 miles of Wild and Scenic Rivers in the area. This would increase accessibility to world-class nature for Santa Maria, Fillmore, and other nearby communities that currently have limited access to the outdoors. In Northwest California, the PUBLIC Lands Act authorizes the creation of over 295 miles of new trails, including in rural areas where local residents have little access to quality outdoor recreation experiences. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the

Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities' commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. In the San Gabriel Mountains, the bill protects habitat for Bighorn Sheep and bigcone Douglas fir, which are both gravely threatened by the climate crisis. For all these reasons I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting open spaces in the Los Angeles region for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely, Theresa Kardos

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Daniel Flores

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 11:49 AM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members: My name is Daniel Flores and I live in East Los Angeles and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769). The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Daniel Flores

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lionel Mares

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 12:13 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, I am writing in urging you to SUPPORT the H.R. 693 / San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act / H.R. 1075 and S. 1769 / Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act / Federal Land Protection / Boundary Expansion (Council File: 22-0002-S98). I am a graduate of the L.A. Nature For All's Steward Leadership Academy. Throughout my time at the Nature For All Leadership Academy, I have learned a lot about our PUBLIC LANDS, and the importance of protecting and preserving PUBLIC LAND for future generations to enjoy. The San Gabriel Mountains and Angeles National Forests is a unique and beautiful place to Explore and Hike. I have hiked the San Gabriel Mountains many times and the views are breathtaking and beautiful. The mountains are a beautiful place to find peace and escape city life. I am a strong advocate for the preservation and protection of Public Lands and Rivers. I strongly believe that it is in the city of Los Angeles's best interest to show support for these Resolutions. I ask that you vote in favor of supporting these resolutions. Here's why: The PUBLIC Lands Act, championed by Senator Alex Padilla, will protect and increase access to over 1 million acres of public lands and over 500 miles of rivers in Northwest California, on the Central Coast, and near Los Angeles. In the Los Angeles area, the bill would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. While Californians enjoy some of the best public lands in the country, many communities—especially communities of color—do not have equitable access to these places. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near communities that have limited access to the outdoors. Protecting our public lands and rivers is an important investment in our state's ongoing economic recovery. The legislation will conserve places that are beloved for outdoor activities. As it becomes safe to travel again, protecting these places will help bolster our state's outdoor recreation economy. Prior to the pandemic, this industry was a significant economic driver, in local communities and throughout the state.

Thank you, LIONEL MARES, MPA



August 15, 2022

Attn: Los Angeles City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
Council & Public Services Division

Dear Council Members:

My name is **Lionel Mares** and I live in Council District 6, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)**, and the **Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075)** and **(S.1769)**

The **San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act** which is part of the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)** would expand the **San Gabriel Mountains National Monument** by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley.

The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030.

I believe your support for the **PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459)**, and the **Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075)** and **(S.1769)** will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity.

That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

**Lionel Mares**

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Brenda Hernandez

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 01:31 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members: My name is Brenda Anahy H. and I live in Chinatown Los Angeles, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our neary open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Brenda Anahy H.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shona Ganguly

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 01:46 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** The Nature Conservancy (TNC) supports both Rim of the Valley and the expansion of the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument to include the western Angeles National Forest, designate protected wilderness and wild and scenic rivers, and establish a National Recreation Area in the San Gabriel Valley. It is critical that LA City Council commits to protecting open space in the LA region. This legislation will enable outdoor access, contribute to climate resilience, and support economic recovery by bolstering California's recreational and outdoor activities and jobs. It will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors, while helping to meet the goal of protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. Investing in biodiversity in Greater Los Angeles is critical for community health, equity, access, climate, and healthy ecosystems for our communities.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Vanessa Dailey

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 02:22 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** I'm a Los Angeles resident leaving this comment in support of the San Gabriel Mountains, Foothills, and Rivers Protection Act & Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act as I think protecting the land and natural ecosystems are one of the most important things we can do, especially in the face of climate change. We have some of the most vulnerable biodiversity in the country and I think it's in the best interest of not only this current generation, but for generations to come to enact forms of protection for the environment and climate resilience.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Diego Tamayo

**Date Submitted:** 08/17/2022 05:12 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** August 17, 2022 Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Diego Tamayo and I live in Diamond Bar, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and (S.1769). The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color and other marginalized backgrounds, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near communities that have limited access to the outdoors. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, groundwater retention, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of U.S. and California lands and waters by 2030, respectively. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Diego Tamayo

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Robin Meares

**Date Submitted:** 08/18/2022 12:25 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** For every single reason posts below I implore you to vote in favor of this. In addition, please do this for my Grandchildren PUBLIC Lands Act Key Messages & Talking Points Background: The PUBLIC Lands Act, championed by Senator Alex Padilla, will protect and increase access to over 1 million acres of public lands and over 500 miles of rivers in Northwest California, on the Central Coast, and near Los Angeles. Access to the Outdoors: While Californians enjoy some of the best public lands in the country, many communities—especially communities of color—do not have equitable access to these places. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near communities that have limited access to the outdoors. Climate: The legislation will help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden’s and Governor Newsom’s recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. Economic Recovery: Protecting our public lands and rivers is an important investment in our state’s ongoing economic recovery. The legislation will conserve places that are beloved for outdoor activities. As it becomes safe to travel again, protecting these places will help bolster our state’s outdoor recreation economy. Prior to the pandemic, this industry was a significant economic driver, in local communities and throughout the state. Background: The PUBLIC Lands Act, championed by Senator Alex Padilla, will protect and increase access to over 1 million acres of public lands and over 500 miles of rivers in Northwest California, on the Central Coast, and near Los Angeles. In the Los Angeles area, the bill would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. Access to the Outdoors: While Californians enjoy some of the best public lands in the country, many communities—especially communities of color—do not have equitable access to these places. The legislation will expand protections for public lands and rivers near

communities that have limited access to the outdoors. The PUBLIC Lands Act will increase equitable access to the outdoors in the Los Angeles area by expanding the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument and establishing a new National Recreation Area. The National Recreation Area has the potential to improve access to open space for communities such as Baldwin Park and El Monte that lack access to parks. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the state. On California's Central Coast, the bill would call for a study for a 400 mile-long Condor National Scenic Trail and protect over 300,000 acres of public lands and 150 miles of Wild and Scenic Rivers in the area. This would increase accessibility to world-class nature for Santa Maria, Fillmore, and other nearby communities that currently have limited access to the outdoors. In Northwest California, the PUBLIC Lands Act authorizes the creation of over 295 miles of new trails, including in rural areas where local residents have little access to quality outdoor recreation experiences. Climate: The legislation will help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. In the San Gabriel Mountains, the bill protects habitat for Bighorn Sheep and bigcone Douglas fir, which are both gravely threatened by climate change. Economic Recovery: Protecting our public lands and rivers is an important investment in our state's ongoing economic recovery. The legislation will conserve places that are beloved for outdoor activities. As it becomes safe to travel again, protecting these places will help bolster our state's outdoor recreation economy. Prior to the pandemic, this industry was a significant economic driver, in local communities and throughout the state. The Angeles National Forest supports about \$83.2 million annually in labor income for wage earners and local businesses including food and lodging services, arts, entertainment and recreation, real estate, rental and leasing, and retail trade services and about 1,600 jobs annu

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Benjamin Kantner

**Date Submitted:** 08/18/2022 02:56 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** [August 18, 2022] Attn: Los Angeles City Council Office of the City Clerk Council & Public Services Division Dear Council Members: My name is Benjamin Kantner and I live in the 5th district (at the intersection of Melrose & La Brea), and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769). My partner and I are new to Los Angeles and already we have found the San Gabriel Mtns to be a unique treasure of the city. The chances we've had to hike in the San Gabriels have been some of our best experiences since moving, but often trails are hard to access and recreation infrastructure is failing. The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Benjamin Kantner

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 08/18/2022 07:23 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0002-S98

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members: My name is Jenna Hoover and I live in Covina, CA, and I am writing to ask that you approve the proposed city resolution to support the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) The San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act which is part of the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459) would expand the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument by over 109,000 acres to include the western Angeles National Forest. The bill would also designate over 30,000 acres as protected Wilderness and over 45 miles of Wild and Scenic rivers throughout the San Gabriel range. Finally, the bill would also establish a National Recreation Area in San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Mountains provide Angelenos with 70% of their available open space. Protecting places like the San Gabriels so that more Angelenos, especially residents of color, can access the outdoors is a critical equity issue for the city and the entire state of California. The legislation will also help make California a key part of the climate solution by protecting public lands from oil and gas drilling, improving carbon sequestration, and preserving wildlife corridors. It is also critical to addressing President Biden's and Governor Newsom's recent Executive Orders, which call for protecting at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030. I believe your support for the PUBLIC Lands Act (S.1459), and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act (H.R.1075) and S.1769) will help the cities commitment to increasing climate resilience and improve its relationship to the natural world by protecting and enhancing its biodiversity. That's why I hope that the LA City Council will take the Pledge and commit to protecting our nearby open spaces for future generations to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Jenna Hoover