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Council District (CD) 8 has been disproportionately impacted by decades of disinvestment and redlining, leaving it blighted with brownfields and contaminated sites that remain unremediated. These conditions, coupled with a lack of accessible food options and adequate housing, present ongoing challenges for the district. A promising opportunity has emerged through collaboration with the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) to remediate the site at 9402 S. Broadway, with plans to develop a high-quality grocery store, retail spaces and over 180 housing units.

One of the primary barriers to transformative investments in the district is the significant contamination of land abandoned long ago. With advancements in science, technology, and sustainable policies, we now have the tools to address these brownfields directly. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has a funding opportunity to support agencies in reducing environmental and public health risks in communities disproportionately affected by hazardous materials. The EPA's Brownfields Cleanup Grant provides funding for a recipient to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites owned by the applicant. The redevelopment of 9402 S. Broadway is an ideal candidate for EPA's Brownfields Cleanup Grant funding, as it would remediate a brownfield, revitalize land for safe community use, and provide access to much-needed food and housing. The BOS Citywide Brownfields Program, which oversees brownfields projects and grants in Los Angeles, will coordinate the application process to ensure compliance with funding requirements and maximize the City's chances of success.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation, with the support of the Economic and Workforce Development Department and any other necessary departments, be authorized to apply for the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Cleanup Grant to secure funding for the remediation of brownfield sites in Council District 8.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, report back on the acceptance of the grant award and outline the necessary administrative and legislative steps required to leverage EPA funds for the project.

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