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## Vote NO On CF 25-1257

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Mon, Dec 8, 2025 at 4:11 PM

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Sincerely,

Susan millmann  
50-year Venice resident and homeowner

Sent from my iPhone



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*"Dissent is what rescues democracy from a quiet death behind closed doors"*

— *Lewis H Lapham*



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**Graham Pruss** <graham@vehicleresidency.org>

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Honorable City Council Members of Los Angeles,

My name is Dr. Graham J. Pruss, and I am the Executive Director of the National Vehicle Residency Coalition (NVRC). Our organization works across the United States with local governments, service providers, and vehicle residents to design lawful, non-punitive responses for people who depend on cars, vans, trailers, and RVs as their only homes. We provide research, technical assistance, and policy guidance to help communities move away from “tow-and-dismiss” approaches and toward strategies that actually reduce homelessness and ensure legal spaces for vehicle residents.

I am writing to urge you not to advance Council File 25-1257, which would align Los Angeles with AB 630’s new authority to dispose of RVs deemed “abandoned” or “inoperable.” Under AB 630, public agencies may now destroy an RV valued at \$4,000 or less after towing, notice, and a short window for the owner to respond. In practice, this dramatically expands the number of lived-in vehicles that can be treated as junk and dismantled—even when they are functioning as someone’s primary shelter.

Recent research from the Venice Justice Committee and UCLA’s Luskin Institute on Inequality and Democracy helps explain why so many Angelenos end up in this situation. The “Keep Moving” West LA Vehicle Residents Survey shows that, for residents priced out of rental housing, a vehicle is often the only perceived safe option and becomes a long-term living arrangement because there is simply nowhere else affordable to go. Many respondents reported little or no contact from outreach workers and very limited follow-through on shelter offers, underscoring that enforcement is far more consistent than assistance.

CF 25-1257 would deepen this imbalance. Instead of building an infrastructure that helps people repair RVs, update registration, and move gradually into housing, the motion leans on AB 630’s power to remove and dismantle low-value mobile homes. For people already living on the economic edge, losing an RV often means losing medications, identity documents, work tools, assistive devices, and family stability in one blow. Those who are disabled or chronically ill are especially vulnerable, as many cannot safely tolerate congregate shelters or rigid program rules. The predictable result of ramping up destruction of inhabited RVs is not safety—it is more visible street homelessness, and more people with disabilities pushed into crisis.

Equity concerns here are serious. Black, Brown, immigrant, and disabled Angelenos are disproportionately represented among unhoused residents and among people living in RVs; policies that target RVs as “nuisances” inevitably fall hardest on these communities, regardless of intent. When the City invests heavily in enforcement, towing, and storage contracts—while public lots sit largely unused overnight and promised RV-safe parking remains unrealized—it sends a clear message about whose safety matters.

There is a different path. NVRC’s work with jurisdictions across the West shows that communities make real progress when they:

- Establish designated, service-linked parking areas for RVs with sanitation, trash service, and case management.
- Pair any vehicle trade-in or recycling with genuine, voluntary housing options and, when possible, safe storage for the rig until the person is stably housed.
- Invest in repair and registration assistance so people can maintain safer, less hazardous vehicles rather than being forced into tents or doorways.

- Build outreach models grounded in trust, continuity, and clear pathways to permanent housing—not one-day “cleanups” followed by months of silence.

CF 25-1257 moves in the opposite direction: it expands the power to permanently eliminate people’s homes on wheels before the City has created the non-punitive alternatives its own reports recommend.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask you to reject Council File 25-1257 and pause any further expansion of AB 630 implementation until Los Angeles has:

1. Established voluntary, RV-accessible safe and supportive parking with rehousing programs at the scale of need;
2. Created mechanisms for repairs, registration support, and storage as part of any RV “recycling” effort;
3. Expanded accessibility of mobile home parks and vouchers for rental parking for people who rely on their RV as long-term housing; and
4. Demonstrated that housing outcomes—not tows, citations, or vehicle destruction—are the primary measure of success.

NVRC stands ready to collaborate with you, City staff, and community organizations to design an approach that protects neighborhoods, upholds civil and constitutional rights, and genuinely helps Angelenos in RVs move into safer, more stable housing.

Thank you for your attention and for your service to the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

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