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The Marvin Braude Bike Trail is a majestic and beloved 22-mile bicycle path that runs along Los Angeles' shoreline, providing coastal access and recreation opportunities to thousands of cyclists, pedestrians and users on a regular basis.

A recent project at 4311 S. Lincoln Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA, 90292, consisting of the construction of a new freestanding cinder block wall, has blocked a critical access point to the bike trail and Yvonne B. Burke Park, thereby depriving the community in Council District 11 and beyond of a decades-long access point.

As a result, the residents of Council District 11 and the broader community across the County and beyond that relied on this access point are forced to travel on dangerous and inhospitable thoroughfares like Lincoln Boulevard to access the trail at alternate points.

The new wall was constructed as a by-right project, receiving a Coastal Exemption (CEX) from the Planning Department and permit from the Department of Building and Safety as a ministerial action. As such, the project was approved without the knowledge or input of the impacted communities or Council District 11 office.

It is through the City's land use regulatory controls that community members are protected through the maintenance of the public peace, health, and safety of persons living or working in communities and neighborhoods citywide. Therefore, it is imperative to assess this project's impacts on open space, access to public spaces and our coast, traffic, and the safety of pedestrians and cyclists by revoking its Coastal Exemption, as these environmental impacts have not been analyzed.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Planning Department to revoke the issuance of the Coastal Exemption (Case No. ADM-2025-14-CEX) for the project located at 4311 S. Lincoln Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA, 90292 and associated with Permit No. 24020-10000-02392, inasmuch as the construction of the new freestanding cinder block wall's environmental impacts have not been analyzed, or community engagement occurred

I FURTHER MOVE that, upon the revocation of Coastal Exemption (Case No. ADM-2025-14-CEX), the Council instruct the Department of Building and Safety and the Department of City Planning, in consultation with the City Attorney, to take any necessary actions to restore coastal access that existed prior to the construction of the cinder block wall.

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