



February 28th, 2024

To: Los Angeles City Council

As a community based organization nestled in the Eastside of LA dedicated to promoting safe, healthy and non-violent communities, we are writing to express our concern about the inappropriate language and behavior that continues to take place during Council Meetings.

Our organization relies on being able to provide public comment or advocate during Council meetings and our members are exposed to hateful language. Vulgar and offensive language does not contribute to resolving the issues at hand. Public meetings should prioritize constructive and meaningful engagement, and this type of behavior must not be normalized in any public forum.

Council Chambers should be a space where all participants feel safe and where respectful dialogue is the standard. We strongly urge Councilmembers to establish and enforce clear standards to restore order and ensure a productive environment for public discourse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Henry Perez', written in a cursive style.

Henry Perez, Executive Director
InnerCity Struggle