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Dear Council President Marqueece Harris-Dawson,

I am writing as a concerned citizen. It has become increasingly more difficult to engage and participate in the council meetings due to the level of incivility I have seen displayed. While I respect the right to civil discourse this is not what I have seen taking place. Th hostile environment that has been created deters participation and undermines the purpose of these forums.

The Council Chambers are a space where we the people of Los Angeles, should be heard and seen without fear of disrespect and hate speech. It is unacceptable to have a public space turned into a place of hate and fear.

I urge Councilmembers to take immediate action by setting and enforcing clear expectations for respectful dialogue and professional conduct. Los Angeles deserves better and it is my hope and expectation that the Council will correct these issues expeditiously.

Sincerely,

(Electronically signed)  
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