

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: As a resident of Redondo Beach, I fully support the LA City Council's efforts to adopt a plant-based approach to food and food purchasing a centerpiece of the city's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions policy. Climate change, habitat destruction, pollution, environmental justice, and food inequality are systemic problems that will require huge, systemic changes—and it all starts with what's on our plate. **BUILDING A BETTER FOOD FUTURE** To create the change we need, we must replace intensive animal agriculture with regenerative and higher-welfare systems. We can only do this by eliminating the factory farming practices that cause the greatest amount of suffering. This requires a massive amount of meat reduction and the driving of higher welfare and more sustainable solutions, protecting the effectiveness of the medically important antibiotics that are currently overused in low-welfare, intensive farming systems. **ENSURING A THRIVING PLANET** To safeguard our future, we must ensure food production protects the stability of local and global ecosystems. That means reducing demand for the most resource-intensive foods in favor of more efficient alternatives, reducing food waste, and reducing our food system's impact on biodiversity loss, habitat destruction, soil health, air and water degradation, and climate change. **ADVOCATING FOR CONSUMERS AND COMMUNITIES** Factory farming is a public health, social justice, and environmental threat, and creating the change we need will require us to make nutritious and sustainable diets accessible for all. This means re-balancing and reducing global consumption of animal products and driving investment in and enthusiasm around plant-based innovation. A reformed food system must also ensure fair treatment for farmers and food production workers and be built on the pillars of equity and justice for the people most negatively impacted by food production systems—particularly low-income demographics and people of the global majority. **A TIME FOR CHANGE** It's going to take all of us—consumers, governments and companies alike—to kickstart the change we need to transform our food system and pull our planet back from the brink. Ben Williamson US Executive Director Compassion in World Farming

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Comments for Public Posting: Please sign the Plant Based Treaty. Science is very clear about the fact that there is no way to solve the climate crisis without shifting our food system to plant based! Producing animal products is one of the major contributors to climate change and rainforest destruction. It is your responsibility to take action now!

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Name: LINN LARSEN
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Comments for Public Posting: Please sign the plant based treaty before it's too late.