

Communication from Public

Name: Juliana

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Comments for Public Posting: Please let's change the way we relate to food. I beg for the plant based treaty to take place. I suffer and find offended with the animal agriculture in this county, country and world. Please let's change. So much suffering and destruction is not needed.

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Name: Jenny P

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, As a Los Angeleno, I urge you to endorse the Plant-Based Treaty. The entire world is long overdue in rethinking and overhauling our outdated food systems, prevention of controllable diseases, animal agriculture and environmental protection. I plead with you to please allow our city to be the global leader in demonstrating the ways that humans can make compassionate and ethical choices to improve the environment, our health and reduce the detrimental impact of animal agriculture. Do you have any idea what happens on animal farms and slaughterhouses? It's a breeding ground for diseases, animal abuse, torture, obviously gruesome murder as well as systemic racism. This type of violence is not confined to the walls of animal agriculture. It pervades and infects human existence, our nonchalant attitudes toward cruelty, violence, foods that are making us sick and keeping us sick, and irreversible environmental damage. Please, endorse the plant-based treaty and let us pave the way for a better, healthier, more humane existence on our planet. Thank you, Jenny P

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Name: Laura Aitken

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to express my support for the Plant Based Treaty Resolution. Scientists across the world agree that Climate Change cannot be slowed down or stopped unless we adopt a plant-based food system. But Climate Change is not the only issue negatively affected by the meat and dairy industries. Your citizens could be healthier in general if plant-based foods were front and center in the diets of the people, rather than processed meat. Food deserts and lower income areas in general tend to offer processed meat as the cheapest nutrient-rich food option, but those areas also tend to have higher instances of heart disease, cancer, and other health problems—all ailments connected to processed meat consumption. The cattle industry accounts for more than 80% of deforestation in the Amazon, causing mass diversity loss, major GHG emissions, and the displacement of thousands of indigenous people. In addition, developing, low income, or otherwise marginalized communities across the world face the worst effects of climate change. The meat industry is one of the top contributors to climate change, and yet it is the West who eats the most meat. We are unfairly taking more than our share of global resources, and causing devastation to less-privileged communities as a result. In the coming years, Los Angeles, and California in general, can expect to face devastating consequences of climate change as well, though. The first step we can take to avoid this, and to set a precedent for the rest of the world to follow, is to move towards a plant-based food system. Los Angeles has long been a world leader in cultural shifts, and now is our moment to lead the way in revolutionizing how our food system affects our planet and people. If money is what you care about, then look into the economics of a plant-based system. Veganism and vegetarianism is growing, and the market will explode within the next ten years. You have an opportunity here to be ahead of the rest of the country, maybe world, in this economic promise. There is no downside to adopting the Plant-Based Treaty. Please consider it closely and listen to the support it is getting worldwide.