Your Community Impact Statement has been successfully submitted to City Council and Committees.

If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at <u>NCSupport@lacity.org</u>.

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March 20, 2023

Los Angeles City Council City Hall 200 N. Spring St. Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: CF 23-0002-S31: Preventing Auto Recycling Thefts (PART) Act/Catalytic Converter/Theft and Resale

Empowerment Congress West Area NDC (ECWA) supports council file CF 23-0002-S31 which states that with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City of Los Angeles includes in its 2023-24 Federal Legislative Program support for legislation similar S. 2024 - the Preventing Auto Recycling Thefts (PART) Act, which was introduced in 2022 to address the problem of catalytic converter theft. The Act includes the following:

- Requiring new vehicles to have a Vehicle Identification number (VIN) stamped onto the converter to allow law enforcement officers to link stolen parts to the vehicle from which they originate
- Creating a grant program through which entities can stamp VIN numbers onto catalytic converters of existing vehicles
- Improving record keeping standards for purchasers of used catalytic converters
- Establishing enforceability of laws around catalytic converter theft by codifying these crimes as a criminal offense

ECWA thanks City Council for your attention to this matter and we appreciate your commitment to strengthening our community.

In Solidarity,

Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECWA)