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Name: Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC)

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Council File No: 23-0002-S71

Comments for Public Posting: Dear LA City Rules, Elections & Intergovernmental Relations

Committee: For fifty years, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the voice of the community and the most broad-based organization in Pacific Palisades – a community of about 25.000 located in the wildland-urban interface between the coast and the Santa Monica mountains within the City of Los Angeles (City). We were among the many organizations who, alongside the CA Coastal Commission, led the charge against the adoption of SB 423 as it was originally written, because it would negate the coastal protections upon which communities like ours, and so many others across CA, rely while also ignoring the safeguards that must remain in place to protect Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) areas here in LA, and across the state. Since its initial drafting, the bill's author has implemented many of the amendments upon which we insisted – and Councilmembers Park and Yaroslavsky have recommended in their Motion on June 30 (Council File No. 23-0002-S71). As such, we ask that you adopt the Park, Yaroslavsky – Lee Resolution urging the State legislature to maintain Coastal Zone exemptions from the streamlined approval process that would remove safeguards to vulnerable habitats and delicate landscapes within the coastal zone; and to provide an exemption for VHFHSZs to protect this perilous geography across the state. Sincerely, Maryam Zar Maryam Zar, PPCC President Executive Committee: Sue Kohl (VP), Jenny Li (Treasurer), Beth Holden-Garland (Secretary), David Card (Chair Emeritus), Joanna Spak (Elected

Rep.), John Padden (Organizational Rep.)



Pacific Palisades Community Council

August 16, 2023

To: Honorable Members of Los Angeles City Council Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Re: Adopt Park, Yaroslavsky – Lee Resolution (Council File No. 23-0002-S71) to include in the City's 2023- 24 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT IF AMENDED for SB 423 (Wiener) – (Item #3 - 8/18 Committee Agenda)

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