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To: Ron Galperin, City Controller; Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr., City Administrative Officer; Rushmore Cervantes, General Manager, HCIDLA
CC: David Ryu, CM, 4th District; Mitch O'Farrell, CM, 13th District
Re: Article XXXIV-exempt housing allowances in Council Districts 4, 13

Dear Messrs Galperin, Llewellyn, and Cervantes,

As you know, at least 36,000 Angelenos are experiencing homelessness---more people than live in <u>60% of the nation's counties</u>. We applaud the City on committing Prop HHH's full \$1.2B to build 10,000 affordable/supportive units to address this crisis, but that supply will not meet current demand, to say nothing of what might exist when construction ends.

The Central Hollywood NC represents a <u>plurality</u> of all unhoused people in two Council Districts. As such, we have a profound interest in remedying any Prop HHH shortfalls using all available means, including public housing. Article XXXIV of the state constitution constrains public housing, but voters approved a 3,500 unit allowance per CD via <u>Prop B</u> in 2008.

Unfortunately, we cannot find assessments of how much of this allowance has been used, or will be used by Prop HHH. This hinders us from educating our stakeholders about the policies available to the City in fighting homelessness---their top concern.

We therefore call upon your offices to report back on the following items within 90 days:

- 1) What are the *current* Prop B-enabled housing inventories in CDs 4 and 13?
- 2) What are those CDs' Prop B-enabled housing inventories *projected to be* after construction of all Prop HHH-funded units approved as of 31 October 2019?

While a <u>referendum to repeal Article XXXIV</u> will likely appear on the November 2020 ballot, should that initiative fail, the above data will be critical to informing our stakeholders about alternate strategies to house anyone remaining homeless after Prop HHH monies are exhausted.

APPROVED 26 August 2019 8 Yea • 0 Nay • 0 Abstain • 1 Absent