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Argyle Civic Association

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Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell
200 N. Spring St #450
Los Angeles CA 900012

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Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

The Argyle Civic Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit group that has been concerned with quality-of-life issues on Argyle Avenue and surrounding streets in Hollywood for more than 35 years.

We have watched with admiration as you and your team have tackled the thankless problem of housing the many homeless people sleeping on our sidewalks and in our parks, making slow but sure progress to improve our streetscape in a way that few other councilmembers have done. *We applaud your efforts.*

In particular, we would like to commend you for Los Angeles Municipal Code 41.18 enforcement on the Bronson Avenue overpass, which has made a vast difference in the safety and well-being of Los Angeles residents in that area and those of us who travel through it.

But as you are no doubt aware, some of those intransigent homeless who refuse shelter move to other locations when 41.18 is enforced. Perhaps for this reason *Argyle Avenue between Yucca Street and Franklin Avenue has become home to several new tent-dwellers over the past couple of months.* As of today, there are nine (9) tents on Argyle between Franklin and Yucca (see enclosed photos).

Therefore, we are officially asking that you place the Argyle Avenue underpass area on your next list of proposed 41.18 enforcement sites, along with the Gower Street underpass area.

41.18 (c)(2)

Except as limited by Subsection (d), no person shall:

sit, lie, sleep, or store, use, maintain, or place personal property, in or upon any street, sidewalk, or other public right-of-way within the distance stated on the posted signage (up to a maximum of 500 feet) of a **designated overpass, underpass, freeway ramp**, tunnel, bridge, pedestrian bridge, subway,

wash, spreading ground, or active railway, where the City Council determines, in the designating resolution, that the public health, safety, or welfare is served by the prohibition, including, without limitation, by finding that sleeping or lodging within the stated proximity to the designated area is unhealthy, unsafe, or incompatible with safe passage;

We look forward to your help in maintaining the safety, health, and beauty of our historic neighborhood.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Gadd". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

David Gadd
President

cc: Sheila Irani, President, Hollywood United Neighborhood Council
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