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By Email To: Hydee Feldstein Soto, Los Angeles City Attorney, hydee.feldsteinsoto@lacity.org

Re: Request Invalidation of erroneous CA Coastal Commission CDP Waiver 5- 22-0482-W

Dear Attorney Feldstein Soto:

Please be advised that at a regular public meeting of the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) Board of Officers held on February 21, 2023, the following motion was unanimously approved.

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2022, the California Coastal Commission issued de minimis waiver 5- 22-0482-W (the "Waiver," link below) for the demolition of the Venice Lifeguard Station Tower (the "Tower") pursuant to an application submitted by the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles leases the Venice Lifeguard Station (the "Property") from the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to that certain Joint Powers Agreement (link below): and

WHEREAS, the Waiver erroneously states that the Property and Tower are: (1) "County- owned," (2) that the Tower was subsequently added to the Property, and (3) the Tower has reached its "development lifespan"; and

WHEREAS, the Property and Tower are: (1) owned by the City of Los Angeles, (2) part of a single 3 story project constructed in 1968, per the Building Assessment Report ("Report"), (link below), and (3) which Report states the Tower has "no structural deficiencies"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the conditions of the Waiver, if the project plans or information in the application are "found to be incorrect or the plans revised, this decision will become invalid; and any development occurring must cease until a coastal development permit is obtained or any discrepancy is resolved in writing."

NOW THEREFORE, the Venice Neighborhood Council, Board of Officers requests that the Los Angeles Office of the City Attorney submit a letter to the California Coastal Commission requesting invalidation of the Waiver, as it was granted based upon incorrect material information.

ACTION: The motion was approved by a vote of Yea: 13/ Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 /

Sincerely

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Supporting Documents:

CDP Waiver:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting636ee6e18ae62.pdf>

Joint Powers Agreement:<https://www.venicenc.org/ncfiles/download/60>

Building Assessment:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee63784cf025ff5.pdf>

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