## PETITION TO ENFORCE PARKING LAWS ON WASHINGTON BLVD AND NEARBY STREETS AS REQUESTED BY THE MOTION OF THE VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL.

## TO COUNCILWOMAN PARK AND STAFF:

The undersigned own, occupy, manage or work at the properties identified below.

- **A. VNC Motion**. In June, 2025 the Venice Neighborhood Council passed the Motion attached hereto. On July 14, 2025 the President of the Venice Neighborhood Council sent the Motion to Councilwoman Park and Mayor Bass. The Motion states:
- "(1) For many months unhoused persons have illegally parked their RVs and OVs on both sides of Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Beach.
- "(2) Residents and businesses, including The Kinney, Hangers, Marina del Rey Cleaners, the Marina del Rey Liquor Mart, the owners of apartments on the north side of Washington and residents of those apartments state RVs and OVs are parked continuously on both sides of Washington Blvd and are moved only for street sweeping. 2 huge OVs parked in front of the Kinney have been there for 3-4 years. The residents complain the vehicles deprive the residents of parking for themselves and their guests. They complain the vehicles' generators create noise, their occupants dump trash and human waste in the gutters, enter private property for water, paint graffiti on utility poles, have short term visitors who apparently are dealing drugs, are an eyesore and impinge on the residents' sense of privacy.
- "(3) The occupants of these vehicles live for free on Washington Blvd without paying taxes for the City services the City provides to the Blvd. By contrast the residents and owners of property on Washington Blvd. do pay taxes for those services either directly or indirectly.
- "(4) On 4/30/24 on the North side of Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Beach there were 15 oversized vehicles, 7 were dilapidated and 4 had expired tags. On the South side of Washington Blvd there were7 oversized vehicles, 5 were dilapidated, and 3 had expired tags.
- "(5) Vehicle Code sec. 22651 (g)(k) and 22669(d) authorize the City to remove vehicles parked over 72 hours on in violation parking restriction signs or which don't bear current license tags or are unsafe.
- "(6) LAMC secs. 11.00(1) and 91.9002 authorize the City to abate and arrest persons committing any nuisance which includes any violation of law and "loitering, excessive littering, illegal parking, excessive loud noises (especially in the late night or early morning hours) ....

"The City should forthwith aggressively ticket and tow all vehicles parked on both sides of Washington Blvd. between Abbot Kinney and the beach which are continuously parked over 72 hours in violation of posted signs or do not bear current license tags or which are unsafe."

While the Motion only expressly applies to Washington Blvd, the City can also apply it to Washington Blvd.'s adjoining streets.

- **B. Q&A** At a 8/2l/25 Q&A with some residents of Washington Blvd and its nearby streets Juan Fregoso, the District Deputy for Councilwoman Park, admitted that:
- (1) City Department of Transportation officers have the same power as LAPD officers to issue tickets to illegally parked vehicles. This would include vehicles parked over 72 hours in one place, unlicensed or unsafe vehicles and vehicles which constitute a nuisance. (See Vehicle Code sections 22651, 22669(d), Los Angeles Municipal Code sections 91.9002 and 11.00) All of these conditions violate express provisions of the California Vehicle Code and the Los Angeles Municipal Code.
- (2) In a couple hours City DOT personnel could start at one end of Washington Blvd, and ticket all the vehicles which violate the above laws.
- (3) The City could issue liens against the vehicles and their owners if the tickets were not paid or successfully defended.
  - (4) The City can tow ticketed vehicles, but may lack storage space for them.
- <u>C. Expired Parking Meters</u> Pursuant to LAMC 88.13(a) the City can ticket vehicles parked at expired parking meters.
- <u>D. Petitioners' Request</u> For the reasons above set forth Petitioners request the City to forthwith:
- (1) Order DOT officers to identify and ticket all vehicles on Washington Blvd and its adjoining streets west of Abbot Kinney Blvd. which are: parked over 72 hours in one place in violation of posted signs or are unlicensed or are unsafe or which which constitute a nuisance or which are parked at expired parking meters.
- (2) Issue liens against the vehicles and their owners if the tickets are not paid or successfully defended.
  - (3) Tow ticketed vehicles as storage space is available

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