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To Whom It May Concern:

Whereas the operation of illegal group homes is a priority issue not only for the Community of Mar Vista but for many other residential areas throughout the city of Los Angeles and stakeholders have approached the Mar Vista Community Council for help in obtaining stricter regulations

Therefore the Mar Vista Community Council requests additional language be inserted into proposed ordinance CPC-2009-800-CA; ENV-2009-801-ND 'COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES' to:

1. Clearly establish an over-concentration distance metric requiring all community care facilities be located 300 feet or more from each other and 2,000 feet or more from schools and other sensitive uses; and
2. Specifically stating that there will be no public benefit test for any unlicensed home which serves seven (7) or more residents and/or specifically prohibiting unlicensed facilities serving six (6) or fewer residents in the R1 zone and
3. No "grand-fathering" in for existing community care facilities that are currently in existence but operating unlicensed or illegally licensed, and
4. Public hearings shall be required before City may make a determination relative to the "Public Benefits" test, and
5. Correctional or Penal Institutions, including group homes, shall be entirely prohibited from locating in residential zones – meaning that there is no chance for these operators to use the CUP process.

Thank You,

Albert Olson  
Chair  
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