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RE: ENV-2015-2026-EIR

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Dear Mr. Huerta,

I am a Hollywood resident who is very concerned about the Crossroads of the World Development. I live on Leland Way just a few hundred feet from the proposed site of this project. This entire complex will have a negative impact on our community. Any positive outcomes will not outweigh the potential dangers, and that is why this development cannot be allowed to proceed.

Our community is badly in need of housing that local residents can actually afford. Destroying 84 rent stabilized units is a terrible decision in the face of our historic housing crisis. Replacing them with 84 low income units is not enough when thousands of Angelenos are overburdened by the rising cost of rent. Adding 190 luxury condos and nearly 700 market rate apartments does nothing to meet the housing needs of regular working people. To destroy rent stabilized housing and build even more luxury housing units that we don't need and local residents cannot afford harms the community.

The developers are also asking for a Master Conditional Use Permit for 22 alcohol-related uses in close proximity to four schools, dramatically expanding the number of alcohol permits in an area that is already highly saturated.

Furthermore, the three proposed towers cannot be anchored to the bedrock and thus suffer from a serious risk of catastrophic collapse during an earthquake. This poses an unnecessary danger to the future residents and the surrounding area.

This project will also place an intense burden on our aging water infrastructure, dramatically increasing the amount of waste water that will flow through pipes and systems in desperate need of rehabilitation and replacement.

The draft EIR also cites significant traffic impacts that simply cannot be mitigated. This area is already extremely congested with the intersection of Sunset and Highland often blocked during rush hour. Adding a complex of this size in an area already choked by cars will negatively impact the quality of life for residents. With LA's Fire Department already struggling with high emergency response times this congestion isn't just an inconvenience. It could very well cost people their lives.

For these and many other reasons I urge you to not grant the permits to allow this project to go forward.

Thank you,

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Steve Ducey
CHNC - Legislative Action Committee