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Dear Ms. Nguyen,

Please accept my organizations attached letter of support for the Hollywood Center Project ENV-2018-2116.

Best,

Molly Davies, LCSW

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Department of Planning, City of Los Angeles
Mindy Nguyen
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RE: Hollywood Center Project SUPPORT - ENV-2018-2116-EIR

Dear Ms. Nguyen,

I am writing to express support for the proposed Hollywood Center Project.

As a certified Environmental Leadership Development Project, Hollywood Center has committed to building a project that is carbon net-neutral during construction and through operation. Hollywood Center will qualify as a LEED Gold project by providing environmentally sustainable design, including the use of recycled, and locally sourced building materials, a significant reduction in outdoor water use, unbundled parking, and a variety of alternatives to driving. Located 600 feet from the Hollywood and Vine Red Line station, the project is able to build around the use of mass transit, allowing residents, locals and visitors the opportunity to access Hollywood and other parts of Los Angeles without the need for an automobile.

Most important, this project speaks to the city's paramount needs for jobs, housing, and especially affordable housing for older adults. Average monthly income from Social Security alone puts most seniors very close to the federal individual poverty level. Even the maximum benefit, which is very difficult to obtain, nets an annual income that is far below the cost of comfortable living.

The World Health Organization has identified Eight Domains of Livability that influence the quality of life for older adults. Domains include: Outdoor Spaces and Buildings, Transportation, Housing, Social Participation, Respect and Social Inclusion, Civic Participation and Employment, Communication and Information, Community and Health Services.

Hollywood Center would provide older adults access to these domains, by allowing future residents the opportunity to live in a vibrant community that provides access to essential resources such as convenient transportation, well-designed pedestrian experiences, and access to world class healthcare all within a short subway ride from their home.

Hollywood's future residents will depend on this project. We must not continue to think that the Los Angeles planning of old will be the answer for the problems we will face tomorrow, or even now. For these reasons I support Hollywood Center, and urge you to move this project forward without delay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Molly Davies".

Molly Davies, LCSW
Vice President, WISE & Healthy Aging