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Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson
Councilmember Council District 8
200 North Spring Street,
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Proposal for Restricted Parking and Street Cleaning Signage on
Adams Boulevard Between Vermont and Normandie Avenues, and
Restricted Parking on Commercial Part of Van Buren Place Running
South from Adams Boulevard

Dear Councilmember Harris-Dawson:

At the July 6, 2023 Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council (NANDC) Board meeting, NANDC moved to support the "Proposal for Restricted Parking and Street Cleaning Signage on Adams Blvd. between Vermont and Normandie Avenues, and Restricted Parking on Commercial Part of Van Buren Place Running South from Adams."

Proponents of the Project, Leslie Evans and Tom McCurnin, representing the Adams Normandie Neighborhood Association (ANNA) and the Van Buren Place Community Restoration Corporation (VBPCRC), were present to answer questions. Other stakeholders were present during the meeting and were in support of the proposal.

The NANDC Board voted unanimously (10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions) to support the ongoing efforts by ANNA and the VBPCRC's proposal to request the City of Los Angeles (City) Council District 8 (CD8) to apply to the Department of Transportation (DOT), to install limited parking signage on Adams Blvd. between Vermont and Normandie Avenues, and on the short commercial portion of Van Buren Place running south from Adams Blvd. to the Van Buren Place fence dividing the commercial section from the residential section.

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The proponents met with the NANDC Policy Committee on June 27, 2023 and engaged in an extensive discussion explaining the history of blight at that section of Adams Blvd. They reported on the issues and suggested that *“daily freeing up many parking spaces for some period will greatly favor the many small stores and restaurants, almost none of which have off street parking of their own for customers. Finally, forcing cars to move will help reduce car storage, accumulated trash, and generally make the neighborhood more appealing. Adding street cleaning will also help our community keep curbs and gutters clean of trash. This is currently already done on the three adjacent and nearby major north-south streets, Hoover, Vermont, and Normandie, as well as on the east-west Jefferson Blvd., the next major commercial street parallel to Adams to the south.”*

NANDC supports this proposal and asks the Councilmember and staff move this forward as quickly as possible. NANDC is a self-governed, self-directed, and independent organization empowered by the Los Angeles City Charter. This charter offers neighborhood councils a role in the City’s decision-making process. NANDC was certified by the City of Los Angeles on April 27, 2002 and was the 24th neighborhood council formed under the guidelines of the City Charter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Jean Frost, Area 3 Representative and Policy Committee Chair, at area3a@nandc.org.

Sincerely,



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