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Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

March 4, 2021

Los Angeles Members of the LA City Council

200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: HHPNC support of Council File Number: 21-0064

The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council represents 60,000 Los Angeles Stakeholders who reside, own property, conduct business, are students or members of local institutions in the neighborhood of Highland Park.

HHPNC actively works to create a clean and sustainable community. In this effort, we see that the manufacturing of plastic and the excessive waste it generates is a key contributor to the destabilization of the climate. The negative impacts of this pollution are found directly in our local communities. One of the most common plastic materials used is utensils. Our neighborhood is home to many restaurants and fast food businesses that provide foodware accessories including plastic utensils, straws and condiment packages to their customers. HHPNC would like for the widespread use of plastic utensils to be resolved with a solution

similar to the plastic straws on-request ordinance.

As a result, the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council supports Council File Number 21-0064 to draft a *“Foodware Accessories Upon Request ordinance that would require restaurants and other food service providers, including virtual restaurants (also known as cloud or ghost kitchens) to provide all disposable foodware accessories, including but not limited to straws, utensils, condiments, napkins etc., only upon the request of the customer, and to require third party food delivery companies and other online platforms for ordering prepared meals to enact an ‘opt-in’ model for foodware accessories across all digital platforms and applications, using the City’s current Disposable Plastic Drinking Straws ordinance as an enforcement model.”*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Estrella Sainburg', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Estrella Sainburg

President,

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council