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Councilmember Traci Park

Los Angeles City Council, District 11 200 N. Spring Street, Room 415 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilwoman Park,

We are writing to express concern regarding the lack of response to the motion adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on February 18, 2025 (Council File 25-0006-S35), which instructed several key departments and agencies to report within 30 days on protocols and measures related to Red Flag Warnings and declarations of a Particularly Dangerous Situation (PDS) by the National Weather Service.

Our community lives in an area that is increasingly vulnerable to wildfire risk, we find it troubling that, more than 60 days later, no report has been made publicly available. Given that the threat of urban wildfires is now a year-round reality, this delay not only undermines the urgency of the motion but also leaves residents and neighborhoods without the clarity or preparedness such a report was intended to provide.

The motion called for comprehensive reporting from the Emergency Management Department, Los Angeles Fire Department, LAPD, Department of Recreation and Parks, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Building and Safety, Transportation, FilmLA, and others. It addressed critical preparedness and safety strategies, including:

- Inventory and deployment of resources during Red Flag conditions;
- Public safety protocols in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZs);
- Resident notification practices and limitations on high-risk activities;
- Cross-agency coordination for proactive emergency response; and
- Public communication and education strategies.

It also requested that the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the City Attorney, report on increasing penalties for violations of Red Flag ordinances.

Given the rising severity of fire seasons and the devastating potential of delayed action, we respectfully urge your office to follow up with the responsible departments and advocate for

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immediate compliance with this motion. Our communities cannot afford a passive approach to wildfire preparedness. Continued failure to respond should justify calling the non-compliant parties before the City Council for an explanation.

Thank you for your continued work representing our district. we appreciate your attention to this matter and would welcome any updates your office can provide on the status of the requested reports.

Sincerely,

Thelma Waxman President

cc: Nithya Raman, Councilmember, Council District 4 Katy Yarovslasky, Councilmember, Council District 5