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Upper Mandeville Canyon Assn.
Upper Nichols Canyon NA
Whitley Heights Civic Assn.

Re: **CF 13-1339 Protected Tree Ordinance Amendment to add Mexican Elderberry & Toyon - Support**

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents 42 homeowner and resident associations with approximately 250,000 constituents spanning the Santa Monica Mountains. At its meeting of January 3, 2018, the Hillside Federation voted to support amendment of the City's Protected Tree and Shrub Ordinance to include the Mexican elderberry and toyon.

Both the Mexican elderberry and toyon with their nourishing blooms and fruits provide invaluable habitat for our native birds. With many larger trees being lost to drought and insect infestation, it is more important than ever that we protect these smaller native trees.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charley Mims
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