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PLUM Committee City Hall 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 April 16, 2012

Re: Hollywood Community Plan CPC-2005-6082-CPU, CPC-1997-43-CPU

Dear Councilmembers:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents thirty-eight homeowner and residents associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains, from Pacific Palisades to Mt. Washington. The Federation's mission is to protect the property and the quality of life of its over 200,000 constituents and to conserve the natural habitat and appearance of the hillside and mountain areas in which they live. Therefore the Hillside Federation supports the Hollywood Community Plan.

The Federation is pleased with the inclusion of the Baseline Hillside Ordinance, the Slope Density Ordinance, both of which were developed with the assistance of the Federation, and the upcoming Ridgeline Protection Ordinance and Retaining Wall Ordinance. A great deal of community input was taken and many specific local requests were incorporated into the plan. There is much in the plan which is to be commended.

However, there is one issue that continues to be of concern to the Federation—the amount of densification that is planned along the transit corridors. Are the population projections upon which the densification is based accurate? If the population is declining, do we need more densification? Given that the city already has water restrictions, traffic is already at a standstill, and our emergency services are already stretched, can the city afford to increase density? We don't want developers building out-of-scale and excessive height projects now when there is no demand to justify it.

The Hillside Federation urges the City to reexamine the population projections and the proposed densification to see if it is really justified.

Sincerely,

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Marian Dodge, President

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