



## PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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California State Senate Committee on Appropriations:

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**Re: Senate Bill 50 (Wiener); hearing date May 13, 2019; OPPOSED**

Dear Committee Chair Portantino, Vice-Chair Bates and members Bradford, Hill, Jones and Wieckowski:

Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) since 1973 has been the voice of the community and the most broad-based organization in Pacific Palisades – a community of about 25,000 located between the coast and the Santa Monica mountains within the City of Los Angeles (City), with the cities of Malibu to our west and Santa Monica to our southeast.

PPCC joins with the City, the League of California Cities and numerous community organizations statewide in strongly opposing SB 50. The bill largely eliminates local control (“home rule”) over planning & zoning decisions and threatens single-family neighborhoods in large swaths of the City, while ignoring ongoing, serious efforts by the City to address housing needs consistent with local zoning rules. PPCC also objects to recent bill amendments that exempt certain cities in the Coastal zone with populations under 50,000, while providing no similar exemption for small yet distinct communities such as Pacific Palisades which are located within larger cities. We respectfully urge the members of the Senate Appropriations Committee to vote “No” on SB 50.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

George Wolfberg, Chair

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