

PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

May 18, 2019 Hon. Richard Bloom California State Assemblymember, District 50

via email: richard.bloom@asm.ca.gov

Re: Assembly Bill 1112 (Friedman); OPPOSE

Dear Assemblymember Bloom:

On May 9, 2019, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) unanimously passed a resolution urging the City Council to require that dockless mobility device permits be conditioned on the providers' cooperation with law enforcement in the event of an accident involving injury to a person caused or claimed to be caused by the use of a dockless mobility device. The resolution arose from a recent felony hit-and-run incident in the Palisades, in which a scooter user fled the scene after striking and seriously injuring a beloved local pastor. The provider then refused to cooperate with police investigators in providing the user's name, thus preventing or delaying justice. Please see <u>PPCC Position Letter</u> sent to City officials on May 13, 2019 ("Position Letter").

We have since learned that <u>AB 1112</u> has passed in two Assembly committees and may soon come to the floor for a vote. This bill is strongly opposed by the League of California Cities (see <u>League Letter</u>). A <u>proposed</u> <u>resolution</u> opposing the bill was also introduced on May 17 in Los Angeles City Council by Councilmember Mike Bonin (council file number not yet assigned). It is a core position of PPCC that we oppose legislation that would eliminate or restrict local regulatory control or would "put the public's health, safety and welfare at risk" (League Letter, p. 2). These fundamental positions in opposition to AB 1112 are expressed in the League Letter and the proposed resolution; we agree with those positions.

On this basis and on the basis of our prior resolution and Position Letter, PPCC opposes Assembly Bill 1112 as worded and respectfully urges your "No" vote on the bill. Alternatively, we request that you introduce a bill amendment that would address our serious public safety concern: notwithstanding any other data disclosure restrictions, cities must be allowed to require dockless scooter providers to cooperate with law enforcement in providing the user's name and/or identifying data in cases involving personal injuries such as those described above and in our Position Letter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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George Wolfberg, Chair Pacific Palisades Community Council

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