



# CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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August 12, 2014

The Honorable Eric Garcetti  
Mayor of Los Angeles  
200 N. Spring Street, Room 303  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Honorable Joe Buscaino  
Member, Los Angeles City Council  
638 S. Beacon Street, Suite 552  
Los Angeles, CA 90731

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**Subject: Support for Living Wage Policy for Hotel Workers**

Dear Mayor Garcetti and Councilmember Buscaino,

The Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council endorses the proposed Living Wage policy of \$15.37 per hour, paid sick days, and tip protection for hotel workers at hotels with 125 or more rooms. We see this as creating a positive economic impact in our community where wages have not kept up with the cost of living.

Tourism is an important aspect of a vibrant economy and Los Angeles is predicted to have substantial growth in this sector. However, hotel workers continue to be paid at the lowest levels of the wage scale. We feel it is fair that our stakeholders, workers and employers, come together to improve the standard of living for the district.

As home to the Port of Los Angeles' World Cruise Center, Central San Pedro hosts two hotels that would be affected by this ordinance. With implementation of this policy these employers will be able to contribute more to the economy through increased payroll taxes, and workers will be able to spend more locally providing direct support of our neighborhood businesses and increasing sales tax revenue. Hotel management and guests will benefit by having a more stable, reliable, and healthy workforce.

We urge you to support this important policy for our community.

Regards,

James Preston Allen  
President

Attachment: CSPNC Resolution in Support of a Living Wage for Hotel Workers

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**Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council  
Resolution in Support of a Living Wage for Hotel Workers  
Adopted 8/12/14**

**Resolved:** The Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports a living wage policy for Los Angeles hotel workers that would raise the minimum wage at hotels with 125 or more rooms to \$15.37/hr, guarantee five paid sick days, and tip protection; and

**Further,** that the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall write a letter of support for the above to the Mayor and CD15; and

**Further,** that the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall file a Community Impact Statement in support of Council File 14-0223.

**(Moved by Carrie Scoville, seconded by Sue Castillo). Motion passed** 10 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Guerrero, Hunter, Merideth, Obioma-Sakhu, Rouser, Scoville); 2 no votes (Gray, Sandoval), 1 abstention (Chair Allen)