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Dear City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works,

At a regular meeting of the Neighborhood Council Alliance of River Communities, the member representatives of the alliance consented on submitting the following resolution regarding the Glendale Boulevard-Hyperion Avenue Complex of Bridges Improvement Project:

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has made great strides to improve accessibility for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists on streets throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, the current project proposal for the Historic Glendale Boulevard-Hyperion Avenue Complex of Bridges Improvement Project outlines several improvements to the existing viaduct complex, including improved pedestrian, bicycle and motor vehicle travel through widening of Glendale Boulevard Bridges; realignment of the northbound I-5 off-ramp; a new pedestrian bridge; a new bike path access ramp; and reconfiguration of the Hyperion roadway and sidewalks, among other improvements; and

WHEREAS the current improvement project could potentially fall short of realizing a multi-modal transit route, particularly for the lack of a bicycle lane on Hyperion Bridge, the elimination of sidewalk on the bridge's east side, and high speed limit, all of which must be taken into account for a bridge system that is safe for all and further connects the neighborhoods of Atwater Village, Silver Lake and Hollywood; and

WHEREAS the improvement project has the potential to fulfill the objectives of the Mayor of Los Angeles' Great Streets Program, which focuses on improving selected corridors the city through coordinated efforts of several city departments, including the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA); and

WHEREAS a plan that fulfills the aims of the Great Streets Program, the 2010 City of Los Angeles Bicycle Plan, and CalTrans policy, including adequate sidewalk space and bicycle lanes, could further solidify the neighborhoods of Atwater Village, Silver Lake, and Hollywood as motor- pedestrian- and cyclist-friendly neighborhoods of Los Angeles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alliance of River Communities calls on the California Department of Transportation and the City of Los Angeles to address the challenges of the current Historic Glendale Boulevard-Hyperion Avenue Complex of Bridges Improvement Project proposal to building complete, multimodal streets in accordance with existing policies and in fulfillment of their commitment to improving transportation access and safety for all residents of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

The Neighborhood Council Alliance of River Communities, ARC

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