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President Natalya Zernitskaya

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Dear Mayor Himmelrich, Mayor Pro Tem McCowan, and City Councilmembers,

Secretary Sharon Hart Treasurer

Karen Carrey

We have previously submitted public comments on the ordinance relating to restrictions on carrying, using, or possessing certain specified items during community events or public assemblies to promote public safety and welfare.

DIRECTORS Cathie Gentile Jason Islas Angela D. Scott Ann Williams As you deliberate on extending the ordinance, we urge you to consider our previously expressed concerns regarding the potential negative unintended consequences of extending this ordinance, such as potential misuse due to the wide-ranging types of objects and potential situations in which it may be applied.

Our comments from <u>April 13, 2021</u> and <u>August 24, 2021</u> are attached for your reference.

Thank you for your consideration.

Re: City Council Agenda Item 7C

Sincerely, Natalya Zernitskaya President League of Women Voters of Santa Monica