



## CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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John A. Mirisch, Mayor

June 19, 2019

The Honorable Ted Lieu  
403 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 2016, To modify the authorized uses of certain property conveyed by the United States in Los Angeles, California

**City of Beverly Hills – SUPPORT**

Dear Congressman Lieu,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I am pleased to write to you in strong **SUPPORT** of **H.R. 2016**, to modify the authorized uses of certain property conveyed by the United States in Los Angeles, California. This legislation allows a portion of the West Los Angeles National Guard Armory to be utilized as a year-round homeless shelter. Homelessness is a major challenge that impacts virtually every community in Los Angeles County which demands a regional, collaborative approach that respects the dignity and safety of this most vulnerable population.

H.R. 2016 authorizes the General Services Administration to modify the Armory's 1957 deed so that it may be used as a year-round homeless shelter instead of just a temporary, winter shelter. With nearly 53,000 persons experiencing homelessness on any given night in Los Angeles County, your proposal represents good public policy. While the causes of homelessness are often complex and multifaceted, the solutions proposed by policymakers don't have to be.

H.R. 2016, along with Senator Dianne Feinstein and Senator Kamala Harris proposed S. 974, are simple and effective. This legislation will make a difference in the lives of countless people who are without shelter.

In closing, the City of Beverly Hills endorses your bill and commends you for your legislative initiative.

Sincerely,

John A. Mirisch  
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills