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**Via Electronic Mail**

Hon. Mayor D'Amico and  
Members of the West Hollywood City Council  
West Hollywood City Hall  
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard  
West Hollywood, CA 90069

**Re: *Smoke-Free Multifamily Dwelling Program (agenda item 5A)***

Dear Hon. Mayor D'Amico and Members of the West Hollywood City Council:

The purpose of this letter is to express the Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles' (AAGLA) support of the Council's exploration and consideration of a smoke-free multifamily dwelling program. We have collaborated with the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) and the Los Angeles Housing + Community Investment Department (LAHCID) to establish guidelines for adopting smoke-free multifamily housing policies. We recognize the multitude of health benefits and cost savings that may result following the implementation of a smoke-free policy.

As the Council deliberates the advancement of a smoke-free multifamily dwelling program, AAGLA requests that the following recommendations be considered: that the program be phased-in to allow sufficient time for rental housing providers to made necessary modifications and that the program remain voluntary for existing renters.

Thank you for your consideration of our suggestions as you contemplate advancement of a smoke-free multifamily dwelling program for the City of West Hollywood.

If you have any questions, please call me at (213) 384-4131, Ext. 309 or contact me via electronic mail at danielle@aagla.org.

Very truly yours,

Danielle Leidner-Peretz