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By Email: tlongcore@babcnc.org

Mr. Travis Longcore
President, Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council

Re: Opposition To Bel Air Glen Proposed Gating (Project: VAC-E1401394)

Dear President Longcore:

I am a resident of Bel Air Ridge and live on the West Side of Beverly Glen Boulevard. I am writing to you in opposition to the proposed street gating plan of Bel Air Glen ("Gating Plan").

I oppose the Gating Plan for all the reasons presented to you by the Bel Air Ridge Board of Directors, including the following:

- The gating plan will further back up rush hour traffic on Beverly Glen, making the rush hour nightmare even worse.
- Adding to the backup, the proposed gates will be unmanned. It is not clear how vendors, delivery vehicles, domestic staff and gardeners will get through the gates. Ditto for friends and other helpers to those who live on the east side. Moreover, backups at the gates will be inevitable, and they will impede emergency vehicles and residents needing to leave the area for medical or other emergencies.
- Rush hour traffic on Nicada and Bottlebrush will get worse. Bel Air Glen is trying to solve their traffic problem at the expense of the west side of Beverly Glen. Indeed, the back-up on Beverly Glen will affect all residents in Beverly Glen and thousands of drivers from other parts of the city who use Beverly Glen as a thorough fare.
- Bel Air Ridge residents on Angelo and Baywood will need to go through two gates to leave and return to their homes. Moreover, the gating will limit my access to the Bel Air Ridge facilities located on the east side of Beverly Glen, including our fitness center, pool and tennis courts, and will also influence my access to Bel Air Ridge neighbors and friends who live on the east side of Beverly Glen. Currently we have multiple access points to these areas, but under the current plan we would be limited to access through Briarwood.

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- Non-East Bel Air Ridge residents such as me, and service providers, will only be able to enter East Bel Air Ridge through Briarwood. Moreover, when drivers looking for a throughway are stopped at the south Angelo gate, they will be forced to make a U turn on a narrow residential street and return to Beverly Glen, effectively doubling the amount of excess traffic on the south portion of Angelo and Briarwood through Bel Air Ridge.
- Traffic back-ups, particularly for delivery and construction trucks that need to get through, will cause additional air and noise pollution for us.

I respectfully request that the Neighborhood Council reject the proposed Gating Plan.

Sincerely,



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