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Dear Councilmember John Lee,

This letter is concerning a motion that was introduced to the Homeless and Safety Committee about Scattered-Site Homeless Housing Program.

The Chatsworth Neighborhood Council does not support a motion that would take unused privately-owned single-family homes and multi-family residences to provide housing throughout the City of Los Angeles.

This concept infringes on the rights of private property owners that for whatever reason may have an unused single family or multi residences housing. Will the next step be to place someone in an unused bedroom, ADU or granny flat? The property owners pay their taxes, mortgages and insurance on these properties and should not be mandated what should be done with them.

We understand that at this point the motion is to ask the City Council to instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department to report on the feasibility of implementing a scattered-site homeless housing program to utilize underused or unused privately-owned single family and multi-family residences throughout the City. One suggestion would be to use City owned facilities and leave private homes alone.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hammond
CNC President