



December 14, 2018

Honorable Bob Blumenfield, Los Angeles City Councilmember
Los Angeles City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles CA 90012

Re: South Korean Dog Meat Trade

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cc: John Popoch, Svetlana Pravina, Andrew Pennington, Ali Pugash

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March 14, 2019

Honorable David Ryu
Los Angeles City Councilmember

Re: South Korean Dog Meat Trade

Dear Councilmember Ryu:

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December 23, 2018

Honorable Eric Garcetti, Mayor of Los Angeles
Los Angeles City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles CA 90012

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December 15, 2018

Honorable Paul Koretz, Los Angeles City Councilmember
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Honorable Paul Krekorian
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