

WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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From: **Kay Hartman** <kay.hartman@palmsnc.la>

Date: Mon, Feb 20, 2023 at 1:23 AM

Subject: Hollywood Studio District NC

To: Kay Hartman <kay.hartman@palmsnc.la>

Dear NC Presidents/Chairs, Vice Presidents/Vice Chairs, and Secretaries,

By now I assume you're aware of the mass resignation of the Hollywood District NC since an email came out from DONE yesterday discussing it. 9 of the 11 board members, and 100% of the executive committee, resigned when DONE forced them to fund an event they didn't support and told them that any board member who didn't attend the event would be removed.

You can read a resignation letter here. <https://www.hsdnc.org/2023/02/a-statement-from-the-hsdnc-chair-regarding-dones-actions/>

You can read a response to the letter from the DONE GM here.

<https://medium.com/@MJTessler/former-hsdnc-chairs-response-to-the-department-of-neighborhood-empowerment-s-email-to-nc-leaders-34d555c934f7>

You can read an article about it here <https://laist.com/news/politics/most-of-an-la-neighborhood-council-board-quits-after-city-forces-spending-on-sheriffs-foundation-event> and here <https://knock-la.com/mario-hernandez-neighborhood-council-lasd/>.

Attached is a letter. I hope your NC will pass this letter or something similar. I am presenting the letter to my NC. If we pass it, I want to also post it as a CIS to DONE and to the City Council Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee.

I wrote to key members of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners and asked them to agendaize the topic at their February 21 meeting. They did not. It would be great if Neighborhood Council board members showed up at the meeting and made public comment to make it clear that we won't allow DONE to do this to any of us. Here is a link to the BONC agenda. <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Board-of-Neighborhood-Commissioners-Special-Meeting-Agenda-2.21.2023-.pdf>

Thank you.

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Kay Hartman

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