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Dear Mayor Lo and Councilmembers,

Please find attached a letter for public testimony to agenda item #2-A of Monday's City Council meeting from the California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

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July 28, 2022

The Honorable Henry Lo
City of Monterey Park City Council
320 West Newmark Avenue
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

We are writing to voice our strong concerns with the proposed \$25/hour health care worker minimum wage measure which we do not support.

The measure would have set new, arbitrary pay requirements for *some* health care workers in *some* health care facilities, while **excluding thousands of health care workers doing the same jobs in Monterey Park**. In fact, most health care workers in Monterey Park are excluded, creating a confusing, arbitrary and inequitable system.

For example, the measure mandates higher wages for workers at private hospital-based facilities but **completely excludes workers at public (UC and County) hospitals and clinics, Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHCs), Planned Parenthood, community-based clinics, and other providers**. Due to these exclusions, we think it's critically important that the ballot language should make clear that this measure would only impact *certain* healthcare workers and not all.

The California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce and its local chamber have served the city of Monterey Park and its residents by supporting legislation that is fair and equitable while maintaining economic vitality for the residents of the City.

We hope the Council supports the vote of the people of Monterey Park first and foremost and sends this measure to the ballot for voters to voice their thoughts directly.

Sincerely,



JULIAN CANETE
PRESIDENT & CEO

cc: Councilmember Hans Liang
Councilmember Peter Chan
Councilmember Yvonne Yiu