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Public Comment		Favor	Amelia Allen-Seeley	I write in strong support of Item 89-A to instruct the LA County Public Defender's office to direct resources to defend arrested UCLA students who were asserting their First Amendment rights to peaceful protest and assembly as part of the UCLA encampment protests. In the early morning hours of May 2nd, 2024, 132 students were arrested, 25 students were hospitalized, and over 100 injured (including five shot in the head with rubber bullets) by the California Highway Patrol and LA County Sheriff's Department.	
			Ana E Lara	Hello, my name is Ana and I'm a grad student at UCLA. I'm writing in support of agenda item 89-A to Protect the First Amendment Rights of UCLA Students and Affiliates. These students have been peacefully protesting on campus and all records of violence up to this point have been initiated by counter protestors and law enforcement. Arresting my peers has been a performance of excessive brutality and I do not stand for it. Please help support our students as they exercise their first amendment rights by allocating support resources. Thank you.	
			Ashley Elias	Please support vote in favor of 89-A and the UCLA students in protecting their First Amendment Rights. Students were peacefully exercising their First Amendment rights and UCLA has done nothing to keep them safe. LA County Board of Supervisors this is your opportunity to show you care for the UCLA students and protection of rights afforded to us as citizens. Thank you.	
			Ayesha Mirza		
			Brenda Hernandez	Ceasefire now!	
			Carolyn Pugh		
			Emma Montoya	It's ridiculous that people are getting arrested for peacefully protesting on a campus they pay tuition for. It's also ridiculous our tax dollars are funding the arrest of peaceful protestors just practicing their first amendment rights	
			Erick Medal	Investigate the mosk courthouse the corrupt judges are issuing falsified restraining orders Stop giving money to the biggest gang the deputy sheriffs organization who not focus on public safety at all! Free state Palestine	
			Esma Ali	Support funds for public defenders in helping university students arrested in their fight against genocide	
			Hana Choe	Request to extend temporary Cap on Rent Increases	
			Haydin Zogaric	Defund the LAPD, they exhibited direct violence against peaceful student protestors	



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Public		Favor	Jack Elkhalayleh	Public defenders defending student protester's arrested	
Comment			Joey Burns	Public da, defend the arrested ucla students	
			Juan Fragoso	Free Palestine	
			kiarash illlulian	support of 89-A	
			lauren kim	89-A	
			Lionel Mares	I would like to thank the Board of Supervisors and to my Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath for agendizing and passing a motion to support the Rory Shaw Wetlands Park Project in Sun Valley, CA. The county's support would help our community to become greener and environmentally friendly. For too long, Sun Valley has been neglected by government officials. I hope that this will help our community to thrive.	
			Lucy Briggs	I write in strong support of Item 89-A to instruct the LA County Public Defender's office to direct resources to defend arrested UCLA students who were asserting their First Amendment rights to peaceful protest and assembly as part of the UCLA encampment protests. In the early morning hours of May 2nd, 2024, 132 students were arrested, 25 students were hospitalized, and over 100 injured (including five shot in the head with rubber bullets) by the California Highway Patrol and LA County Sheriff's Department. This was in severe violation of the student's First Amendment rights. Under existing University policy and the US Constitution, students have the right to engage in peaceful protest. When faced with the Palestine Solidarity encampment, UCLA administration unilaterally changed its policies without providing notice or bargaining. In so doing it violated its policy of content neutrality toward speech by favoring employees engaged in anti-Palestine speech over employees engaged in Pro-Palestine speech. It went further by unilaterally changing policies by prohibiting pro-Palestine speech at the school. UCLA used its powers to not only change policy but then, in an unprecedented act, used brute force and police intervention to prevent students and workers from exercising what have historically been rights at the University. Los Angeles County should use its power to defend the rights of our young minds to speak out against injustice without fear of retaliation. This was a severe overreach by the LA County Sheriff's Department, who have a long history of repressive violence that the Board of Supervisors has been a champion of fighting against. Many students are on financial aid and do not have the financial backing to defend themselves in court. If charges are not dropped, the students will be on their own to defend their rights. We ask for your support in facing up against police violence and oppression so that the students exerting their fundamental rights can have the legal defense resources they need. Please s	

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Public		Favor	Mary Tio	DISCLOSE & DIVEST FROM ISRAEL NOW. FREE PALESTINE.	
Comment			Melissa Mateo	FREE PALESTINE	
			Michael Gearin	Please drop any charges leveled at any of the peaceful protesters at UCLA last week. Charging them with a crime after letting those kids get beat up one night, and then watching them get assaulted by police officers the next night, if anyone should be charged, it's the cops or the angry counter-protesters! Let them go and drop any charges.	
			Roger Gawne	[See comments attached to 89-A]	
			Sarah M Belew- Gaidola	I am in favor of 89-A for LA County to protect first amendment rights of UCLA students. We learn how to fight for our first amendment rights in classrooms, why can't we do it on our own campus? The police presence and arrests of peaceful protesting students is abhorrent. The city and county needs to step in to protect the students from their own administration.	
			Shante K Vutheikun		
			Shelley BACHMAN	I am strongly in favor of 89-A	
			Sherry Zhou		
			Siraj Mowjood	I would like the county public defender to direct resources towards defending arrested UCLA students. I am writing in in support of item 89-A.	
			Vinay Lal	I requestpublic defender office resources be used to assist UCLA students who have been arrested owing to the repression by the Ucla administration of nonviolent protests on campus.	
		Oppose	bill vetter		

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Public Comment		Oppose	bill vetter	Still cant believe that "Hanoi Jane" Day got a proclamation passed at Los Angeles Supervisors Council Meeting. April 30th is a national holiday in communist Vietnam known as Day of Liberation of the South and Reunification Day. April 22nd is Earth Day. How does commitment to climate advocacy, dedication to raising awareness about environmental justice, championed causes promoting gender equality and social justice tie into a communist Vietnam national holiday? Stranger when Fonda's memoirs claiming she never meant to offend US soldiers in the war as she sat upon an anti-aircraft gun in North Vietnam. The selection of April 30 is a direct slap in the face of our veterans, its callous and shows no sense of remorse. My friend, a teenager at the time in South Vietnam, took ten years after the fall of Saigon to reach America. He was imprisoned, "reeducated", trek thru jungles of Laos and Cambodia, confined in refugees camps in Thailand and Philippines before being sponsored for entry to United States. He vividly recalls Fonda's visit, laughing and being entertained by leaders from the communist North, used as propaganda to demoralize our troops and sew discord with citizens of the South. She was known as a Communist Sympathizer. Fonda may have done some redeeming deeds but that has not erased her actions regarding veterans. The Supervisors, may wish to honor Fonda, but do so on a day that does not create controversy
			Nousheen Tabibzadeh	
			Terry L Rains	Please see attached PDF file - general public comment letter opposing April 30th proclaimed as "Jane Fonda Day" in Los Angeles County.
			ΖZ	Hateful speech and threats to Jews is not freedoms of speech for UCLA students , it's spewing anti semitsm and it's harassment!
		Other	Alexis Britt	Protect our county's students and support them as they protest the horrific genocide that is happening in Palestine.

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				I urge you to carefully consider the implications of this issue and to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Metro remains a safe and reliable means of transportation for all who rely on it. Together, we can work to create a better, safer Los Angeles for everyone. Sincerely,
				Monisha Parker

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			Sara Vasquez	Please make Dpss accountable for better customer service for not answering the phones failing cases on purpose especially for the elderly. Shame on Dpss for not treating the elderly better. Customer service hangs the phone unable to get through a worker. Unable to complain to Dpss this the reason I'm complaining to you
		Item Total	37	
Grand Total			37	

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Supervisors:

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Say it ain't so, Los Angeles!

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California State University, Northridge

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May 4, 2024

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors 500 W. Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Request to Extend Temporary Cap on Rent Increases

Dear Board of Supervisors,

We are students from California State University, Northridge (CSUN) expressing our support to extend the temporary cap on maximum allowable rent increases in Los Angeles County. As students in the master's level Social Work program currently learning and striving for increased advocacy support in this area of concern, we believe that this measure is crucial for maintaining housing affordability and stability for our community.

The current cap, which limits rent increases to 4% from January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, has been instrumental in preventing excessive rent hikes and ensuring that tenants can continue to afford their homes. We urge you to consider extending this cap further, specifically until December 31, 2024.

The reasons for extension include the following:

- 1.) Affordability residents are still recovering from the impacts of the recent pandemic. Extending the cap will provide relief to struggling families and individuals who rely on stable housing.
- 2.) Tenant Protections the temporary cap helps protect tenants from sudden and unaffordable rent increases. Through the extension, we can continue to shield vulnerable populations from displacement.
- 3.) Stability and Fairness Stable housing contributes to stronger communities, of which allows families to remain in their neighborhoods to maintain social ties and support local businesses. In addition, balancing the needs of landlords and tenants is essential for allowing landlords reasonable returns while preventing excessive rent hikes.

We kindly request that the Board of Supervisors consider extending the temporary cap on rent increases until December 31, 2024. This extension will provide much-needed stability during these challenging times.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your commitment to ensuring affordable housing for all residents of Los Angeles County.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Alfaro, Vica Bernal, Hana Choe, Cesar Guijarro, & Helen Majano

Terry L. Rains

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May 5, 2024

Honorable Chair – Supervisor, Third District, Lindsey P. Horvath Honorable Chair Pro Tem – Supervisor, Fifth District, Kathryn Barger Honorable Board Member – Supervisor, First District, Hilda L. Solis Honorable Board Member – Supervisor, Second District, Holly J. Mitchell Honorable Board Member – Supervisor, Fourth District, Janice Hahn

Subject: Request to Reconsider Proclamation Designating April 30th as Jane Fonda Day annually in LA County

Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

As a resident of Westminster, the heart of what is known as "Little Saigon" in Orange County, and home to the largest Vietnamese diaspora in the world, I am writing to urge the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to reconsider proclaiming April 30th as "Jane Fonda Day" annually in Los Angeles County. The proclamation was approved by a 5-0 vote at your April 23, 2024 board meeting and presented to Jane Fonda at your April 30, 2024 board meeting.

While I understand and respect your desire to acknowledge individuals for their contributions to your county and beyond, I believe that honoring Jane Fonda annually on April 30th is highly inappropriate, culturally insensitive, and downright disrespectful to American and South Vietnamese Vietnam War Veterans and the large Vietnamese diaspora living here in Southern California.

Jane Fonda's actions during the Vietnam War remain deeply controversial and divisive. Her visit to North Vietnam in 1972, where she was photographed on an anti-aircraft gun used to shoot down American planes, is an unrelenting source of pain and anger for our veterans and their families. Her actions were perceived by many as treasonous, lending support to a communist regime that was responsible for the deaths of thousands of American and Vietnamese soldiers and countless innocent Vietnamese civilians.

April 30, 1975 marks a day of profound loss, trauma, and upheaval for the Vietnamese-American community here in Southern California. It marks the fall of Saigon and the end of the Vietnam War, a pivotal moment when the communist regime took over the entire country. The South Vietnamese people lost their identity and their homeland on that fateful day. Many fled their beloved homeland, by boat, leaving behind everything familiar, with a profound fear and uncertainty of what lay ahead. April 30th is commemorated each year here in Westminster as a somber day of reflection, mourning, and painful remembrance of all that was lost on that fateful day.

I would like to think that the idea to honor Jane Fonda annually on April 30th was born out of sheer ignorance rather than a purposeful act to cause such great pain and unrest in our respective communities. I realize April is Earth Month and Fonda was honored, in part, for her notable climate change activism/advocacy as well as her efforts to further/preserve/protect women's rights. However, as a legislative body, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors cannot overlook or ignore significant historical events and the diversity of your constituency.

Given the significance of April 30th to our local Vietnamese community and the ongoing pain and anger endured by our Vietnam War veterans, I respectfully, but strongly, urge the Board of Supervisors to choose a different date to proclaim as "Jane Fonda Day" annually in Los Angeles County.

Thank you very much for considering my perspective on this matter.

Respectfully,

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I fully support Supervisor Horvath's motion to support UCLA students exercising their 1st Amendment right on their own public university. Please also consider extending the resources to other students at USC, Occidental College, Cal Poly Pomona and other LA County colleges. As another commenter suggested, please examine local law enforcement use of force against student protesters as we witnessed excessive force on students and faculty a day after they allowed a violent mob to attack students on their own campus. The presence of CHP, UCPD, LAPD and LASD on campus last week was an outrageous waste of resources, unwarranted and shockingly disproportionate compared to the absence of a response when students were attacked on April 30 resulting in over 20 head injuries. Finally, I urge you to work with the DA's office and consider granting full amnesty to protesters exercising their right to free speech.