

## RESOLUTION NO. 6492

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ACTIONS TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN LOCAL DEMOCRACY, AUTHORITY, AND CONTROL AS RELATED TO LOCAL ZONING AND HOUSING ISSUES**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA DOES HEREBY RESOLVE  
AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California each year proposes, passes, and has signed into law a number of bills addressing a range of housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California does not allow sufficient time between each legislative cycle to determine if the legislation is successful in bringing about the change for the State of California's housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these bills usurp the authority of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves the land use policies and practices that best suit each city and its residents and instead impose mandates that do not take into account the needs and differences of jurisdictions throughout the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the ability of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves which projects require review beyond a ministerial approval; what parking requirements are appropriate for various neighborhoods within their jurisdiction; what plans and programs are suitable and practical for each community rather than having these decisions imposed upon cities without regard to the circumstances of each individual city; and what zoning should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great import to the City of Gardena among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Gardena feels strongly that our local government is best able to assess the needs of our community and objects to the proliferation of State legislation that deprives us of that ability;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the City of Gardena resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City of Gardena is opposed to the current practice of the legislature of the State of California of continually proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to control their own destiny through use of the zoning authority that has been granted to them.

Section 2. The City of Gardena will explore various ways to protect the ability of cities to retain local control over zoning as each individual city within the State of California is best suited to determine how the zoning in their city should be allocated in order to meet the housing needs of the community.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution; shall cause the same to be entered among the original Resolutions of said City; and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted.

Passed, approved, and adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

  
TASHA CERDA, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
*for* MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
CARMEN VASQUEZ, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA                    )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES            ) SS:  
CITY OF GARDENA                        )

I, **MINA SEMENZA**, City Clerk of the City of Gardena, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of said City is five; that the foregoing Resolution, being **Resolution No. 6492** duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City of Gardena, approved and signed by the Mayor of said City, and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the **12th day of January, 2021**, and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:     MAYOR PRO TEM HENDERSON, COUNCIL MEMBERS TANAKA AND FRANCIS AND MAYOR CERDA

NOES:     NONE

ABSENT:   COUNCIL MEMBER KASKANIAN

*for* Becky Romero  
City Clerk of the City of Gardena, California

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