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#### IN RE LRDP AMENDMENT (2017) and Student Housing Projects tiered Draft SEIR

Project Title: UNEX Case Number: SCH NO. 2017051024

Project Address: 10995 LeConte Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024

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**Project Description:** Demolition of UNEX building and replacing with building holding up to 1,350 upper division undergraduate beds. Building estimated at 350,000 gsf configured with 9 and 20 levels and limited parking. Expected to be completed at latest Fall 2022.

### Greetings:

On September 13, 2017, at the regular meeting of the Westwood Neighborhood Council (WWNC) Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC), Marco Perez, Assistant Director, Community & Local Government Relations at UCLA provided some details as to this project. After discussion took place with stakeholders in attendance, the WWNC LUPC voted unanimously to recommend that the WWNC Board of Directors (WWNC BOD) pass the following motion:

The Westwood Neighborhood Council (WWNC BOD) opposes the proposed 20 story 202 ft. dormitory project at the UNEX site on LeConte for the following reasons:

- its significant negative environmental impact on Westwood Village's historic view shed that includes the Fox Theater, a Los Angeles historic-cultural monument; and
- due to the adjoining 45 ft. height restrictions imposed by the Westwood Village Specific Plan and the North Westwood Village Specific Plan.

However, the WWNC BOD does support and recommend that UCLA pursue a project that replaces the current UNEX building with one of the same height, 106 ft. with the installation of at least two levels of subterranean parking that would be accessible both to students and the public at affordable rates and transfer the remaining height and density needed to the proposed Gayley-Strathmore, Warren or Tom Bradley sites.

Further, we call on UCLA to circulate a new and updated holistic Long Range Development Plan in an orderly fashion that allows for community and stakeholder input.

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That same evening at the regular WWNC BOD meeting with 13 of the 19 members present, the motion as set forth above was passed with 9 in favor and 4 abstaining.

Very truly yours, /s/Constance Boukidis Constance Boukidis Chair, Land Use and Planning Committee Westwood Neighborhood Council 310-766-5030