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Outreach Coordinator  
Consensus Inc.

**Re: Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) - Downtown Los Angeles**

To Whom It May Concern:

As the oldest developed community in the City of Los Angeles, Downtown has faced challenges as it relates to infrastructural upgrades as compared to other surrounding communities - especially west of Los Angeles Street in the Fashion, Industrial District, and Central City East areas. As such, we applaud Councilmember De León's efforts and the City as a whole in advocating and leading the charge for the creation of an EIFD for this area.

In collaboration with our various community partners, DLANC supports calls for mass infrastructural improvements through place-making/urban design interventions, transit/mobility enhancements, upgrades to social service facilities, and general civil improvements such as stormwater management and sidewalk improvements.

Projects such as public plazas, bike lanes, and parklets enhance the micro-economy in communities like the Fashion District. Infrastructure and projects to support public sanitation and supportive and affordable housing in the Central City East help transition our unhoused community into more stable and integrated housing.

As part of the creation of an EIFD, we ask that the district fee structure not impose any additional excessive special assessments onto property owners and stakeholders. In addition, we ask that during the feasibility and outreach phases, DLANC is included in such

conversations as the official certified Neighborhood Council tasked to represent all stakeholders in our community.

In addition, we ask that projects submitted by community partners such as the Fashion District Business Improvement District be included in the funding proposal for potential implementation such as but not limited to the following:

- Transit East-West Shuttle (thoroughly connecting LA Live to Arts District via Fashion)
- Improved curb line drainage system
- Placemaking project at 9<sup>th</sup>/Main St center median island in the Fashion District
- Placemaking project at 8<sup>th</sup>/San Pedro center median island for the Flower District
- Improvements to LA Complete Streets designs along the Broadway Corridor
- Consider public uses such as a park for the LADWP owned parcel at 743 South Los Angeles Street

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to working and collaborating on the ground-breaking projects coming to Downtown.

Sincerely,

(President Name)  
President,  
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DLANC Livability Committee

CC:

Council District 14 (via email)

Fashion District Business Improvement District (via email)

Los Angeles Downtown Industrial District Business Improvement District (via email)

Central City Association (via email)