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**Subject:** **ATTENTION CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

STATE Laws have been sent to ALL OF YOUR OFFICES over the last several months due to the HIGH VOLUME OF mature tree destruction each of you have authorized in your own districts.

On top of this very important issue, we have learned how unimportant and disposable you continue to treat our natural resources and the life of birds and their habitat.

Just incase the State Laws have gone missing we have enclosed them hereto for your reference. We know how important it is to the Council to follow the laws.

We also know how important it is to the council that cruelty to animals is not to be tolerated - let alone inflicted by the members of the city council.

### **LAMC Sec. 53.48. SONG BIRDS \_ KILLING**

**No person shall kill any song bird or destroy or rob the nest of any such bird.**

### **CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME CODE**

#### **Sec. 3503.**

**It is unlawful to take, possess, or needlessly destroy the nest or eggs of any bird, except as otherwise provided by this code or any regulation made pursuant thereto.**

#### **Sec. 3503.5**

**It is unlawful to take, possess, or destroy any birds in the orders Falconiformes or Strigiformes (birds of prey) or to take, possess or destroy the nest or eggs of any such bird except as otherwise provided by this code or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto.**

### **Title 14, Chapter 1, Section 251.1. Harassment of Animals**

**Except as otherwise authorized in these regulations or in the Fish and Game Code, no person shall harass, herd or drive any game or non-game bird or mammal or furbearing mammal. For the purposes of this section, harass is defined as an intentional act which disrupts an animal's normal behavior patterns, which**

includes, but is not limited to, breeding, feeding or sheltering. This section does not apply to a landowner or tenant who drives or herds birds or mammals for the purpose of preventing damage to private or public property, including aquaculture and agriculture crops.

## **FEDERAL MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT**

**703. Taking, killing, or possessing migratory birds unlawful.**

...it shall be unlawful at any time, by any means or in any manner, to pursue, hunt, take, capture, kill, attempt to take, capture, or kill, possess, offer for sale, sell, offer to barter, barter, offer to purchase, purchase, deliver for shipment, ship, export, import, cause to be shipped, exported, or imported, deliver for transportation, transport or cause to be transported, carry or cause to be carried, or receive for shipment, transportation, carriage, or export, any migratory bird, any part, nest, or egg of any such bird, or any product, whether or not manufactured, which consists, or is composed in whole or part, of any such bird or any part, nest, or egg thereof....

**Because there is no city department who enforces these provisions this behavior is causing an unacceptable amount of wildlife to be brutally tortured. Juvenile birds, nests and eggs have been unlawfully destroyed.**

**This is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. YOU are the ones who can stop this awful and intolerable conduct from the applicants whose projects you continue to unanimously approve.**

**Because you do not read the letters from your constituents that are submitted into the records of case files, you are not aware that planning continues to approve projects DESPITE EVIDENCE of all of SPECIES that are listed on the Migratory Bird Treaty Act Protected Species 10.13 list.**

**MOST ALL BIRDS IN LOS ANGELES EXIST IN THIS LIST WHOSE HABITAT YOU ARE DESTROYING.**

**WHERE THERE IS A TREE THAT IS BEING USED  
BY A BIRD - BY WILDLIFE -  
YOU ARE NOT PERMITTED TO CUT IT DOWN /  
BULLDOZE THE TREE.**

**WE HAVE ENCLOSED A PHOTO OF WHAT A NEST LOOKS  
LIKE WHEN IT IS IN A TREE.  
THIS IS WHAT LIVING CREATURES MAKE TO CREATE  
THEIR HOMES AND LAY EGGS;  
WHICH ARE OTHER LIVING ORGANISMS  
TRANSFORMING INTO LIFE.  
WHEN THESE EXIST IN TREES, WHICH MOST LIKELY  
THEY DO, THIS MEANS YOU ARE NOT  
ALLOWED TO CONTINUE THE DESTRUCTION. THE  
ACTIVITY MUST COME TO A HALT. IT MUST STOP.**

Have a nice weekend Councilmembers.

We know you will because you are not forced to surround your families with what we are forced to tolerate on a daily basis.

