

Community Impact Statement -HR 1384 and S 1129

DATE: September 11, 2019

TO: LA City Council, Los Angeles, CA

RE: Community Impact Statement in SUPPORT of Council File #19-0002-S157 TITLE: HR 1384 / The Medicare for All Act / Medicare / Affordable Care Act

Approved at September 11th, 2019 General Meeting of the North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council joins, to date, nine other neighborhood councils in calling on the Los Angeles City Council to pass a resolution of support for Medicare for All (HR 1384 and S 1129) to establish single-payer, universal healthcare.

It is important that the City of Los Angeles join San Francisco, Oakland, Denver, Detroit, Cambridge, Pittsburgh, Seattle, and Chicago in advocating for the moral right to healthcare for all people, the rational organization of our healthcare system under single payer, and the sustainability of our economy and our government's operability by confronting and controlling the drivers of costs.

The City of Los Angeles is dealing with a massive housing and homelessness crisis. Healthcare and housing are intrinsically tied together and it is of utmost importance to work towards finding solutions to help all Angelenos flourish. Universal, single-payer, healthcare is a needed step in that direction.

The Medicare for All Act of 2019 will guarantee that all residents of Los Angeles will be fully covered for health care without copays, deductibles or other out-of-pocket costs, and would save millions in taxpayer dollars now spent on premiums that provide often inadequate health insurance coverage for government employees.

Sincerely,

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council