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Re: Banning the use of rodent poison on City-owned property

Dear Mr. Plante:

Thank you for your letter dated February 21, 2018, regarding the negative impact of the use of rodenticide in the City of Los Angeles. I support the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council's action to discourage the use of anticoagulant poisons. Use of these toxic substances present far too much of a risk to our wildlife, pets, and children.

I was pleased with the passage of AB 2657 (Bloom), but the City and State must continue to make progress on protecting and maintaining the ecology of our parks and communities. In addition, the City has looked into this issue when Councilmember Koretz introduced a motion back in 2013 (Council File 13-1580). The Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee has had several discussions on this item prior to my joining the City Council. I will discuss with my colleagues to explore ways in which we might take a more proactive role.

Access to open, clean, and safe parks is essential to the well-being of all Angelenos, and I look forward to working with the Neighborhood Council and the residents of Silver Lake to keep our parks and natural habitats safe, and improve our neighborhoods. Please do not hesitate to reach out my office with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

David E. Ryu
Councilmember, District Four