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Dear Los Angeles County Department of Public Health:

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council respectfully requests your involvement in investigating all "pop-up street vendors" who are operating within our neighborhood council's boundaries and have been observed not in compliance with The County of Los Angeles health and safety standards. Licensed brick and mortar food services are required to have hot potable water to wash and clean utensils, windscreens to prevent flies from entering food, restrooms for staff to use and wash their hands, etc. The stakeholders in this community are equally concerned that all street vendors be in similar compliance and properly permitted and inspected by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

We would like to bring to your attention at least 5 street vendor locations within our SORO neighborhood council district for you to visit and observe:

1. South La Cienega Blvd. and W. 18th Street,
2. South La Cienega Blvd. and Venice Blvd
3. W. 18th Street and S. Corning Street
4. South La Cienega Blvd. and Cadillac Avenue,
5. Cadillac Avenue and Helms Place
6. Whitworth Drive and Swall Drive

Aside from proper food handling, food temperature controls and hygiene, we are also concerned that our sidewalks remain free of obstruction from carts and tents, as per L.A. Municipal code Sec. 56.12. Additionally, there is a concern from local, licensed eateries that these unpermitted street vendors are affecting their revenue, as well as a loss of sales tax collection that should be remitted to the California State Board of Equalization to help pay for vital city services. Accordingly, out of concern for the health and safety of our community, we greatly appreciate your attention to these new "pop up street vendors" in our neighborhood council district and thank you in advance for your response.

Sincerely,

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