Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting:	I am writing as a concerned Los Angeles resident to urge the City Council to vote YES on the Commercial Tenant Anti-Harassment motion. Our city's identity is shaped by our diverse, minority- and Black-owned small businesses, but corporate landlord greed is quietly driving them out. We are seeing a dangerous pattern where predatory landlords intentionally neglect properties, block lease renewals, and use daily intimidation tactics specifically targeting business owners of color in gentrifying areas. This isn't just a dispute between landlords and tenants; it is a calculated effort to displace the cultural anchors of our communities for higher corporate profits. When these small businesses are harassed into closing, our neighborhoods lose their character and local economic self-sufficiency. As a consumer and community member, I stand with our minority entrepreneurs. The Council must pass this motion to give them a fair fighting chance against predatory displacement.