June 27, 2022

The Honorable Scott Weiner
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 930: Alcoholic Beverages: Hours Of Sale - OPPOSE

Dear Senator Weiner,

The Los Angeles County Democratic Party (LACDP) considers and debates many bills submitted by legislators and organizations and have voted to oppose SB 930. This is a reaffirmation of opposition.

California and Los Angeles County have always been on the forefront of cutting-edge and progressive policies that can lead the way for America. In this instance, our members responded to a bedrock principle of effective governance, public safety.

Last year's version of this bill included the City of Los Angeles among those cities which might choose to participate in a five year pilot program to extend alcoholic beverage service to 4am. The current version excludes Los Angeles, but includes West Hollywood.

West Hollywood is a small city surrounded by Los Angeles, Beverly Hills and Culver City. While there was sympathy for the supporters of this bill, ultimately, and by a two thirds majority, our members were concerned that what happens in West Hollywood will not stay in West Hollywood, and that the surrounding cities will share in the costs and burdens this policy will place on resources and in the undermining of public safety overall.

LACDP is the official governing body of the Democratic Party in the County of Los Angeles and works in cooperation with the State and National Democratic Committees. LACDP is the largest local Democratic Party entity in the United States, representing more than 3 million registered Democrats.

If the LACDP can be of assistance, please contact Elizabeth Hennes, LACDP Director of Operations at Elizabeth.Hennes@LACDP.org or at 213-770-0198.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Gonzalez, Chair