### Welcome, Neighbor Resolution

In this unique time when we’re bombarded with conflicting and polarizing real-time news, there are certain consistent truths that we can rely on. One of those truths is that Encino is and will always be a place for everyone. Encino neighbors come from different backgrounds, races, religions, orientations, belief systems and cultures. We fundamentally believe that our differences make us strong, unique, powerful and complete. We embrace and respect one another first as neighbors, and we strive to look out for each other.

This statement, signed and approved by the Encino Neighborhood Council together with our neighbors, affirms that Encino is and will always be a safe, welcoming place for people from anywhere. We encourage legal immigrants and refugees to join our community, we will welcome you as our neighbor and embrace you as our friend.

If there should be a time where an individual or group is cast out based on their country of origin, sexual or gender orientation, religion, or social status, we will stand by them and invite them to Encino to join our community.”

Signed,

**Alex Garay**

**Encino Neighborhood Council**

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