

## MEMORANDUM

May 22, 2020

To: Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Public Health Officer Dr. Barbara Ferrer

From: Coalition of Businesses and Organizations in Conejo Valley and Las Virgenes

**Re: Request for Local Variance for Conejo Valley and Las Virgenes Region**

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The undersigned are a coalition of local businesses and community organizations in the cities of Westlake Village and Agoura Hills in the Conejo Valley / Las Virgenes region of Los Angeles County. We would like to formally request a local variance for our region within Los Angeles County. We are requesting that our region be granted permission by Los Angeles County Public Health to adhere to the health orders issued by the State of California, rather than the more restrictive local order for Los Angeles County.

### **Better Public Health Metrics in Conejo / Las Virgenes**

While public health is always the paramount of concern for Los Angeles County, our region has performed much better than our neighbors in more densely populated regions of the County. Please see the chart below that illustrates that Conejo and Las Virgenes areas have not seen the same propensity of new cases and deaths as the rest of the county. Even when accounting for the smaller population, the cases and deaths per capita do not compare to the rates seen in Los Angeles County.

Metric	Los Angeles County	Conejo / Las Virgenes*
Total Cases	40,857	39
Total Deaths	1,970	0

\* Conejo / Las Virgenes is the combined data for the cities of Westlake Village and Agoura Hills.

Metric	Westlake Village	Agoura Hills
Total Cases	6	33
Total Deaths	0	0

### **Access To Adequate Health Care Capacity**

In addition to the hospitals within Los Angeles County, our region is served by the Los Robles Health System in nearby Thousand Oaks. In fact, Ventura County has 153 available hospital beds in the event there is a surge of cases in our region. The state standard for a county variance is to have the capacity to withstand a surge of 35%, which our local health systems can accommodate.

### **Adverse Effect On The Local Economy**

Since our cities are located so close in proximity to Ventura County, many of our residents have chosen to make the short trip over the county line to purchase goods and services from businesses that are allowed to open under their order. This is tax revenue and economic impact being left on the table, when it is safe for our residents to shop in stores locally.

In some cases, most notably in Westlake Village, businesses less than 100 feet from the county line with Ventura County are closed and similar businesses that happen to be in Ventura County are allowed to open. This shutdown is having real economic impacts to our otherwise safe communities.

### **Support From Local Businesses and Community Organizations**



101 North Eatery and Bar - Westlake Village  
Aspire Dance Studio - Westlake Village  
Bamboo Room - Westlake Village  
Batta Vujicic - Westlake Village  
BCBC Nails - Westlake Village  
Bio SoCal – Westlake Village  
Calvary Community Church - Westlake Village  
Candu Graphics - Westlake Village  
Engen Enterprises, Inc., dba Taco Bell - Westlake Village  
Five Threads Brewing Company, LLC – Westlake Village  
Glass Arts Collective – Westlake Village  
Golf & Tennis Management Inc. - Westlake Village  
Heart Boutique - Westlake Village  
Human Hybrid Athletics - Westlake Village  
Jeanine Lynn Fitness - Westlake Village  
Let's Create Something, Inc – Westlake Village  
Lindero Oaks, LLC - Westlake Village  
Lozano's Jewelry – Westlake Village

JG Management - Westlake Village  
JLW Financial & Insurance Services – Westlake Village  
Keller Williams Realty / Tim Velasquez – Westlake Village  
Kirk Jewelers – Westlake Village  
Knows the Code, LLC - Westlake Village  
Malibu Sundowner Tasting Room - Westlake Village  
My Health Studio - Westlake Village  
Novo Cafe - Westlake Village  
Nevers, Palazzo, Packard, Wildermuth & Wynner. PC - Westlake Village  
Oaks Christian School - Westlake Village  
Office Evolution - Westlake Village  
Prime Realty Inc. - Westlake Village  
Residence Inn by Marriott - Westlake Village  
SCJM 2 LLA dba Sport Clips Haircuts - Westlake Village  
Selleck Development Group - Westlake Village  
Shaina Aleece Photography - Westlake Village  
Smash RX, LLC & The Therapist Den - Westlake Village  
The Drapery Guy, LLC - Westlake Village  
The Gallery Restaurant - Westlake Village  
The Shoppes at Westlake - Westlake Village  
Tim Joyce Homes Inc. - Westlake Village  
Total Woman Gym + Spa - Westlake Village  
Urban Vejje - Westlake Village  
Wades Wines - Westlake Village  
Westlake Office Court, Ltd. - Westlake Village  
West Oaks Park LLC – Westlake Village  
Westlake Village Inn - Westlake Village  
Yarrow YMCA - Westlake Village  
Zin Bistro Americiana - Westlake Village

Agoura Fitness - Agoura Hills  
Agoura Hills Town Center Joint Venture - Agoura Hills  
Basta - Agoura Hills  
Black Diamond Leadership- Agoura Hills  
BL Dancehall and Saloon - Agoura Hills  
California Community Church - Agoura Hills  
CARES Compassionate and Reliable Estate Solutions - Agoura Hills  
Carmichael Associates - Agoura Hills  
Chalkline CrossFit – Agoura Hills  
Courtyard by Marriott - Agoura Hills  
DJM Commercial Real Estate – Agoura Hills  
Emil's Bake House - Agoura Hills  
Fordney Foundation – Agoura Hills

FOY Life – Agoura Hills  
Gateway Church – Agoura Hills  
Hatch Cafe & Market - Agoura Hills  
Havasi Wilderness Foundation - Agoura Hills  
Homewood Suites by Hilton- Agoura Hills  
Jung Shim Energy Wellness, Agoura Hills  
Key Pointe Asset Management, Inc - Agoura Hills  
Knows the Code, LLC - Agoura Hills  
LA Woolsey Fire Long Term Recovery Group - Agoura Hills  
Lisa Rauschenberger, Stylist – Agoura Hills  
Los Angeles Region Community Recovery Organization - Agoura Hills  
Pacific Office Interiors - Agoura Hills  
Pacific Patio – Agoura Hills  
Paulson and Associates Inc. – Agoura Hills  
Schmitz & Associates, Inc. - Agoura Hills  
SDG Associates - Agoura Hills  
Sheraton Agoura Hills Hotel - Agoura Hills  
Swanky Salon Inc. – Agoura Hills  
Tavern 101 - Agoura Hills  
Tavern Tomoko | Ladyface Brewery - Agoura Hills  
TechAhead Inc. - Agoura Hills  
The Agoura Park - LA Fitness Center - Agoura Hills  
The Canyon Group/Agoura Hills City Mall - Agoura Hills  
TownePlace Suites by Marriott - Agoura Hills  
Twisted Oak Tavern and Brewery - Agoura Hills  
William M. Hang, DDS, MSD - A Professional Corporation - Agoura Hills

Caruso - Calabasas  
The Commons at Calabasas - Calabasas