Argument In Favor of Measure CA

As we celebrate our 50th Anniversary, we are at a critical stage in Carson's history. Carson has come a long way, but to continue our progress we need to position Carson for maximum effectiveness. Just as neighboring cities benefit from the economic development tools afforded them in their respective charters, e.g., Torrance, Carson residents too deserve the best from our City government. This Charter provides Carson with the tools needed to eliminate blight and promote private investment in an environmentally-friendly, economically sustainable and fiscally-sound manner, and establishes rules for fairer, more transparent city government.

Please read the Charter and you too will support Carson becoming a Charter City.

Here are noteworthy Charter Sections:

- Sections 206-208 empower City with necessary economic development tools.
- Section 304 sets council compensation at the federal low-income level for family of four.
- Section 305 re-imposes voter approved Term Limits on Mayor and City Council.
- Sections 308-319 guarantee transparency, accountability and open public meetings.
- Section 505 bans Nepotism and Favoritism at City Hall.
- Section 705 authorizes creation of a Civil Service Commission for fairness in City employment process.
- Section 907 establishes limits on City's taxing authority to protect residents and businesses.
- Section 915 requires Project Labor Agreements and Prevailing Wages for City projects, and a local hiring preference for Carsonresidents.

By approving this Charter, these provisions would no longer be subject to the political whims of the City Council as only Carson residents could change the Charter through another election. This establishes the stability and consistency necessary to move Carson towards our "Future Unlimited!"

We respectfully request you support Carson becoming a Charter City. Join your neighbors, local businesses, community representatives, current and former elected officials and friends from throughout Carson - North, South, East and West and vote Yes.

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