



West of Twin Peaks Central Council

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Hon. Edwin M. Lee
Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco
City Hall, Room 200
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Urgent Request for Urban Coyote Wildlife Management Plan

Dear Mayor Lee:

The West of Twin Peaks Central Council represents 20 homeowners' and neighborhood associations in western San Francisco. We fully support the safety concerns raised by our members, including Balboa Terrace, Ingleside Terraces, and Pine Lake Park, who have experienced coyote attacks, the deaths of their pets, and physical confrontations in front and back yards, over the last two years.

We formally ask that the City and County of San Francisco immediately develop and implement a proactive city-wide wildlife management plan to include the stated goal of minimizing conflicts between coyotes, people and pets, both in neighborhoods and shared open space areas. We also ask that this plan be sustainable, measureable, and accountable in meeting this goal.

We are very concerned that coyotes have moved into our urban areas. We recognize that the City borders both national and regional recreation areas that have become coyote habitats. Therefore, we ask that this plan be developed by a task force in partnership with the appropriate Federal and State agencies, along with neighborhood association and resident input and review.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter. We await your response.

Yours truly,

/S/

Roger Ritter