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Subject: Stabilizing Property Tax Increases and Parcel Tax Increases for seniors

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Message : Sirs / Madams: I was reading up on the issue of homelessness and unaffordable housing in Los Angeles County, of which I am a 68 year old resident. Along those lines, I think it should definitely be on the table that "no new property tax increases " be incurred for those of us who are over aged 65 living on fixed incomes. At least "property tax increases" of any type should be "frozen for five years at a time" for us, especially those of us whose incomes are below \$70,000 a year. We DO NOT get decent cost of living increases yearly as it is, and to keep paying increases in parcel taxes and other taxes associated with our property means that we are taking food and medicines out of our mouths and bodies. Many counties, as an example, in Northern California allow their 65+ seniors exemptions on parcel taxes altogether. While I support our schools, I am not in a position at a \$67,000 per year pension to keep "absorbing" property tax increases yearly, and at the same time, receive limited if any yearly cost of living increases and other increases in necessary items such as homeowners insurance and slight maintenance costs. I truly hope that you will consider this request as part of your package to address affordable housing and homelessness. Seniors worked their whole lives, They are entitled to remain in the homes they purchased through their hard work, and to keep absorbing property and parcel tax increases after age 65 on fixed incomes should be stopped. Please. Thank you for listening. Would like a response to this request to share with my senior group? Thank you. Sincerely, Donna Smith