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Hello, my name is Jessica Limon and I have been a resident of Whittier since 1990. The last two years have been difficult but I am excited to see all the changes the pandemic has brought to our beautiful city. From my perspective, uptown Whittier has always been a safe and relaxing place where I go shopping, dine, and occasionally have a drink on the weekends. I have always enjoyed the uniqueness of our city but I have noticed a concerning change in the ambiance since the promenade came into effect.

This past weekend, I was out having a late dinner at a restaurant located on Greenleaf and I noticed multiple individuals belligerently intoxicated walking around freely with a 16-ounce cup full of beer. It was obviously prepared by the restaurant as some people's cups had lids. Is public drinking outside of an established legal if people stay within the promenade? It was really confusing and disturbing because I frequently visit the Village Cinemas/restaurants with my young nieces and I would hate to expose them to such an environment. I initially thought the promenade was convenient to commute from store to store but I have since changed my outlook and hope the streets reopen to prevent people from feeling the "comfort" or lenience of public intoxication. Unfortunately, I am not available to attend the community meeting this evening regarding this issue but I really hope my message/concerns are acknowledged.

Whittier is my home and I would love to keep its safe "family-oriented" reputation.

Thank you so much,

Jessica Limon

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