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Good afternoon
I am writing to express my concerns about the recent Halloween parade on Lisco St in my neighbor hood and the influx of street vendors/foot traffic in our beloved neighborhood. As a resident of Whittier since the 1950s, I have witnessed the transformation of our community over the years and feel compelled to address the issues that have arisen during this holiday season.
Firstly, the Halloween parade has evolved significantly in recent years. While I appreciate the effort to celebrate this festive occasion, the increased scale and noise levels have become a source of disturbance. The loud music and amplified traffic that accompany the parade disrupt the peace and tranquility of our neighborhood, which I hold dear. Additionally, the resulting road closures and traffic congestion create a significant inconvenience for residents.
The presence of street vendors during the Halloween festivities has also raised concerns for me. In the past, such events were much simpler and cozier affairs. Today, the unregulated street vending often leads to overcrowding, littering, and concerns for public safety. Many of these vendors operate without proper permits, and the lack of organization leads to further complications.
Our city has a rich history and a strong sense of community that I believe can coexist with the spirit of Halloween celebrations. It is important that we maintain a balance that respects the quality of life of all our residents.
Thank you for taking the time to address these concerns. I hope that our city can take measures to celebrate Halloween joyfully while preserving the peace and charm of our neighborhood.

Thank you,

Marie

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