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Dear Councilmember _____:

I encourage you to support a City of Sacramento ordinance that will allow residents to keep a limited number of egg-laying hens (NO roosters) in their backyards. The hens will be raised for household egg production, and as pets, and will not be slaughtered for meat.

Allowing city residents to raise their own chickens makes sense – chickens are healthy, green and educational. Families then have easy access to healthy, high quality, inexpensive food. Chickens also serve as natural pest control, eliminating the need for toxic pesticides that threaten our precious water supply. Sharing eggs with neighbors is another way to build friendly, cooperative neighborhoods. In addition, children learn where their food comes from and gain respect for animals and the food system.

Please support adoption of this ordinance.
Thank you.

Signature

(Name and address)