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March 11, 2025

Mark Walter, Owner & Chairman
Los Angeles Dodgers
1000 Vin Scully Ave
Los Angeles, CA. 90012

Dear Mr Walter,

As the Senate Majority Leader, representative for California's 33rd Senate District, and a lifelong Dodgers fan, I am writing to urge you to end the Los Angeles Dodgers' sponsorship deals with fossil fuel companies.

For decades, the Dodgers have been ahead of the curve. On issues from banning [cigarette ads](#) to making history by signing Jackie Robinson, this team has occupied a unique place in American sports. The [team](#) has encouraged fans to take active and public transportation to games, taken steps to make the stadium more environmentally friendly, and even partnered with LA County on a recycling program. These leading efforts to [promote sustainability](#) at and around the stadium make the Dodgers' continued partnership with Big Oil all the more anachronistic.

The state of California is [currently suing](#) five of the largest oil and gas companies in the world for decades of misleading the public about climate change. This lawsuit includes Phillips 66, owner of the 76 brand of gas stations. As a State, we are leading the way in climate action and decarbonizing our economy. Yet, Big Oil [continues](#) to engage in climate denial and just last year spent a [record amount](#) lobbying the State Legislature against common-sense public health measures.

The recent devastating wildfires in Los Angeles are focusing attention on a reality that my constituents have known for decades: that fossil fuel pollution is responsible for not only the climate crisis, but also the persistently harmful air quality in the region. Residents of the Los Angeles area breathe some of the [most polluted](#) air in the country, with demonstrated links to negative health [outcomes](#). Continuing to associate these corporations with our beloved boys in blue is not in our community or the planet best interest

Ending the sponsorship with Phillips 66 would send the message that it's time to end our embrace of polluting fossil fuels and work together towards a cleaner, greener future.

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact my office at (562) 256-7921.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lena Gonzalez".

Lena Gonzalez
Senator, District 33

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