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Statement by Assemblymember Anthony Rendon
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Honorable Mayor and City Council

As both a representative and a resident of Paramount, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the City Council for your proactive approach in purchasing additional air monitors

These monitors will help provide vital information about the health of our community.

This is an important first step, but there are other steps the Council must consider as well.

I would hope that the information gathered from these monitors can be used to better inform the land use decisions that come before the Council.

Additionally, it would be worth examining how the cost of monitoring can be borne by the businesses that produce emissions and not by the taxpayers.

Finally, I would also encourage the city to be engaged in South Coast Air Quality Management District's latest rule making regarding metal forges- Rule 1430. The Council should be asking for the most protective regulations considering the concentration of metal working facilities in the city – including larger buffer zones for schools.

Additionally the city should be impressing on the district that Rule 1430 is only acceptable as the first step in looking at a wider universe of metal working facilities.

Those steps, along with the 10 monitors you are purchasing today, can truly make a difference.

As always, my staff and I are ready to assist you in any way to protect the health and safety of the people of Paramount.

