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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT GARCETTI ANNOUNCES
NEW BICYCLE PARKING IN HOLLYWOOD**

HOLLYWOOD -- In an effort to help Angelenos choose alternative modes of transportation, Los Angeles City Council President Eric Garcetti today announced the installation of more than 50 new bicycle racks on Hollywood Boulevard between La Brea and Vine. Working with the city's Department of Transportation, Garcetti developed a pilot program that transformed into bicycle racks parking meters made obsolete by the city's new Park-and-Pay system.

"This new program will provide more bicycle parking to make it easier for residents and visitors who want to use bikes to get around the neighborhood," said Council President Garcetti. "We want to make it as easy and attractive as possible for people to ride a bike rather than drive a car, especially for short trips."

To expand bicycle parking capacity, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation is installing "meter hitches" that convert the poles of former parking meters into bike racks. The racks have a central vertical pole with two half circles extending outward on either side so that multiple bicycle locks can clasp to the pole. On top of the pole is a small metal sign of a bicycle, denoting the pole as bicycle parking. (See attached photo.) Fifty-two meter hitches were installed last night as part of the first phase of the program.

"LADOT is encouraging people to stay healthy, and reduce traffic congestion along with pollution, by taking advantage of the new bicycle racks in Hollywood. Be sure to ride safely" said Rita L. Robinson, LADOT General Manager.

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