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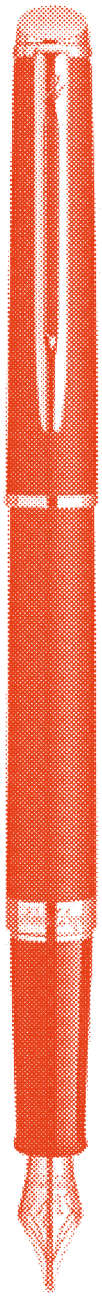
In support of Ada Colau's candidacy for Barcelona City Council



Barcelona **En Comú**

To the people of Barcelona,

During the last eight years **Barcelona has led the way** in showing the world that democratic, egalitarian and feminist cities are possible.

Barcelona has led the way in standing up to lobbies with the regulation of short-term rentals and by defending the right to housing. You have led the way in building a greener and kinder city for all, especially older people and kids, with the Superblock initiative.

Barcelona has led the way with a new social model that cares for people's well-being, with initiatives like a free public dentist and mental health care. You are the city with the highest social spending in Spain and have made culture and education available to everyone.

Barcelona has led the way in feminist and LGTBI rights, promoting a diverse and free society where everyone can live and love as they choose.

In the current global context of ecological, social and economic crisis, where the far right is trying to spread fear and hate worldwide as a weapon of control, **we need Barcelona to consolidate this alternative**. Barcelona is forging a political and policy path that other cities must follow.

That's why it's so important for Ada Colau to continue as mayor of the city. The signatories of this letter are **proud to endorse Ada Colau and Barcelona En Comú for the Barcelona elections** on May 28th.

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