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**SMMC
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Joseph T. Edmiston
Executive Director, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
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Dear Mr. Edmiston:

I am writing to enlist your help in preserving open space within the City of Los Angeles, specifically at the foot of the Hollywood Hills. There is a lot currently owned by Caltrans located at the intersection of Franklin Avenue and Ivar Avenue. Caltrans has identified it as surplus property and plans to auction off the parcel for additional revenue. I am asking for your help in preserving this lot for some "breathing room" and wildlife habitat in the area.

The surrounding community has contacted my office with the desire to see this land remain untouched in a very built out environment. As I do not have any funds programmed for this lot, and since it is already under State control, I ask that the SMMC use its powers to preserve this land for the community, nature and future generations.

I thank you very much in advance for all your help on this.

Sincerely,

TOM LABONGE
Councilmember, 4th District

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