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Mike Shull, General Manager Department of Recreation and Parks 350 S. Grand Ave, 46th floor Los Angeles, CA 90071

May 9, 2015

Re: Greek Theatre Contract

Dear Mr. Shull:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc. was founded in 1952 and represents 43 resident and homeowner associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains. The mission of the Federation is to protect the property and the quality of life of the residents of the Santa Monica Mountains and other hillside areas of Los Angeles and its environs, and to encourage and promote those policies and programs which will best preserve the natural topography and wildlife of the mountains and hillsides for the benefit of all the people of Los Angeles.

At its May 6th meeting, the Federation discussed the Greek Theatre contract process and voted to support the extension of the current operator's contract until such time as a new Request For Proposals, which embodies the City Council's suggestions for community input, can be implemented.

This is not an unusual request; indeed it is standard operating procedure in business and industry to extend an existing contract while a new RFP is prepared. The current operator, Nederlander Concerts has performed successfully for almost four decades. Nederlander has won multiple Pollstar Awards for its operation of the Greek Theatre. Additionally Nederlander has worked collaboratively with the community to minimize the impact of the theater's operations on Griffith Park and the surrounding residential community.

The Hillside Federation therefore urges the Department of Recreation and Parks to extend Nederlander's contract to operate the Greek Theatre while a new RFP is prepared.

Sincerely,

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cc: City Council RAP Commission