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RE: Withdrawal of Appeals of the Rendon Hotel Project; Case Number: ENV-2017-4735-MND, CPC-2017-4734-GPA-ZC-HD-CUB-CUX-ZAA-ZV-RDP-SPR, ZA-2021-9890-ZV-1A

Dear Mr. Netburn, Ms. Bleemers, and Mr. Bertoni:

This firm represents the Coalition for Responsible Equitable Economic Development Los Angeles ("CREED LA") with regard to the above-referenced Rendon Hotel Project ("Project").

On March 3, 2021, we submitted comments on behalf of CREED LA stating objections and concerns regarding the Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration ("MND") prepared for the Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). On March 17, 2022, the Zoning Administrator issued a Letter of Determination ("LOD") adopting the MND for the Project. On March 31, 2022, CREED LA filed an appeal to the City Planning Commission ("CPC") of the Zoning Administrator's decision ("Appeal"), which was heard and denied by the CPC on April 28, 2022 in conjunction with the CPC's hearing on the Project's remaining entitlements. On August 30, 2022, the City issued an LOD regarding the CPC decisions. On September 16, 2022, CREED LA filed appeals of the CPC decisions ("Appeals"), which have not yet been scheduled to be heard by the City Council.

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We are pleased to report that, as a result of direct discussions with the Applicant, the Applicant has agreed to implement environmental measures set forth in the administrative record for the Project that benefit the community and address issues raised in CREED LA's Appeals. Accordingly, CREED LA's objections to the Project, and issues raised in the Appeals, are fully resolved. CREED LA hereby withdraws its Appeals with prejudice and respectfully requests that the City adopt the MND, approve the Project, and conclude the administrative review process as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Franco", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Richard M. Franco

cc: CREED LA