

Venice Community Coalition

January 26, 2011

Councilman Bill Rosendahl

200 N. Spring Street, Rm 415 ☐

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilman Rosendahl,

The Venice Community Coalition urges support of a memorial marker at the northwest corner of Venice and Lincoln Boulevards to commemorate an historical event that should never be forgotten.

At this very corner, in 1945, hundreds of Japanese Americans in the Venice area reported there with only what they could carry, to buses that would transport them to the temporary assembly center at Santa Anita racetrack or directly to the Manzanar War Relocation Authority camp in Inyo County. A memorial to these events and people would make this location a destination of historic importance.

The Venice Community Coalition is a group involved with the pedestrian amenities on Lincoln in Venice and the improvement of the boulevard in general. The corner of Lincoln and Venice boulevards is a very public place and on from this point of view, as well as the moral imperative to honor those treated inhumanly by history, we whole-heartily support this memorial.

Sincerely,



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