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Ms. Eugenia Chusid
City of Santa Monica, Civil Engineering
and Architecture Division
1437 4th Street, Suite 300
Santa Monica, California 90401

Dear Ms. Chusid:

I am writing in regards to the City of Santa Monica and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) planning efforts to reconstruct the California Incline Bridge to meet current seismic standards. A review of the proposed replacement project indicates that the project will include demolition of the existing structure, excavation, grading and bridge construction lasting approximately 10 months with completion estimated for mid-2009.

Additionally, I am informed that the California Incline will be closed to traffic for the entire construction period which will potentially cause major traffic disruptions to the surrounding communities including the Santa Monica Canyon, Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica and Brentwood. As the Los Angeles County Supervisor for the Third District representing the impacted and concerned communities, I am respectfully requesting that the City of Santa Monica and Caltrans implement all feasible mitigation measures to reduce the traffic impacts from this project to the nearby primarily residential communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to inform you of my concerns during the public comment period for the draft environmental impact report and environmental assessment related to the California Incline Bridge Replacement Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zev Yaroslavsky", is written over the printed name and title.

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY
Chairman of the Board
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c: Mayor Richard Bloom, City of Santa Monica
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