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November 12, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT FOR THE PARAMOUNT LIBRARY (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Public Library is recommending Board acceptance of a one-time donation from the City of Paramount in the amount of $20,000 for the purchase of books and materials in English and Spanish languages for the Paramount Library.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept a one-time donation in the amount of $20,000 from the City of Paramount for the Paramount Library for the purchase of books and materials in English and Spanish languages.

2. Instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, to acknowledge the gift and send a letter to the City of Paramount giving thanks for the donation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Public Library is recommending Board acceptance of a one-time donation in the amount of $20,000 from the City of Paramount for the Paramount Library for the

purchase of books and audio-visual materials in English and Spanish languages. Approval of this recommendation will provide additional funds for the purchase of library materials for both children and adult collections of the Paramount Library, improving direct service to the public.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goals in the areas of Service Excellence (1), Fiscal Responsibility (4), and Children and Families' Well-Being (5).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The donation amount of $20,000 has been placed in the Public Library's donation trust account and is available, pending Board acceptance, for the purchase of books and materials for the Paramount Library. Acceptance of these funds does not require matching funds from the Public Library and does not commit the County to provide ongoing services. The Public Library's operating budget includes an appropriation to cover expenditures from donations.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County policy requires that donations of $10,000 and over be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for acceptance. Acceptance of this donation is consistent with Government code Section 25355.

The City of Paramount donated $20,000 to the Paramount Library with no stipulations or restrictions on the use of the funds.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

This generous donation from the City of Paramount will enable the Public Library to purchase additional library materials for the Paramount Library and to provide enhanced customer service.

CONCLUSION

Please return a conformed copy of the adopted stamped Board Letter to the Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

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County Librarian

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County Counsel
Auditor-Controller