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**Support for the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art Site in Exposition Park**

George Lucas, the legendary filmmaker and entrepreneur, recently released designs for the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art (Lucas Museum) for both Los Angeles and San Francisco. The site selected in the Los Angeles area is Exposition Park, often considered the Science and Art Hub of the County of Los Angeles (County), as it is the home of so many iconic institutions. These institutions include the California Science Center, the Coliseum, the California African American Museum, the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History, and the venerable University of Southern California (USC), of which Mr. Lucas is a graduate of its film school.

Exposition Park is the ideal site for the Lucas Museum, as it is already a destination hub in the County, with ample and consistent public transportation and convenient access to multiple freeways. Its proximity to USC, along with dozens of elementary, middle, and high schools, will help boost the learning experience for thousands of children each year, and provide each of them with an understanding of the science and technological skills needed for a career in the film, animation and design industries.

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The Lucas Museum will bring thousands of jobs to the County, not only in the construction industry, but in the art, education, and hospitality industries as well. Businesses in the surrounding areas will demonstrate a marked growth, and additional green space is included in the proposed design as well. The siting of the Lucas Museum at Exposition Park is a win-win situation for the Museum as well as for the people of the County.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Demonstrate its support of siting the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art at Exposition Park in Los Angeles by authorizing and executing a Resolution, and to send the Resolution to Mr. George Lucas to evidence the Board's support.

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**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT EXPOSITION PARK AS THE LOCATION OF THE  
LUCAS MUSEUM OF NARRATIVE ART**

**WHEREAS**, Mr. George Lucas has proposed two locations as the future site of the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art (Lucas Museum); Treasure Island in San Francisco and Exposition Park in Los Angeles;

**WHEREAS**, the mission and scope of the Lucas Museum is focused on sharing, demonstrating and teaching how filmmakers and artists rely on storytelling traditions to create their art;

**WHEREAS**, the location of the proposed Lucas Museum within Exposition Park is thematically consistent with existing cultural and education venues in Exposition Park, namely, the California Science Center, the California African-American Museum, the Los Angeles County Natural History Museum, the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, and the adjacent University of Southern California;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed design of the Lucas Museum will include public green space, access to scenic vistas, dining options, all of which will be accessible to the community whether they enter the Lucas Museum or not;

**WHEREAS**, the siting of the Lucas Museum in Los Angeles would provide employment opportunities for thousands of individuals in the construction trades, the hospitality and service industries, facility management, museum administration and operations, as well for as for educators and seasoned filmmakers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors hereby declares its intent to notify Mr. George Lucas of its support of the selection of Exposition Park over any other proposed location.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that the Board:

Strongly supports the selection of Exposition Park as the location for the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art due to the significant benefits to the people of Los Angeles County through its educational, training, and mentoring programs, as well as the creation of thousands of employment and career opportunities; and

Directs the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to execute this Resolution, and transmit said Resolution to Mr. George Lucas.

The foregoing resolution was, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so Act.

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