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GILBERT A. CEDILLO COUNCILMEMBER 1st DISTRICT FIRST COUNCIL DISTRICT OFFICE City Hall 4th Floor Room 470 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Councilmember Cedillo:

The Glassell Park Neighborhood Council (GPNC) is an advisory body established to "Bridge the Gap" between the Community of Glassell Park and the City of Los Angeles. We need your assistance to correct a funding error regarding expenditures provided to your constituent-supported community council.

On May 7, 2013, the GPNC approved funding in the amount of \$7,231.00 for Arts, Music & Musical Instruments for the Sonia M. Sotomayer High School Learning Academies eCALS Drumline Group, an important Cd1 educational resource in our community. On May 15, 2013, the GPNC submitted the approved funds to the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment/Empower LA (DONE) before the deadline to be appropriated from FY 2012 - 2013 Budget. However, due to the reduction in DONE staffing and lack of Dept. transparency regarding funding policies and procedures, \$7,231,00 was extracted from our 2013 – 2014 FY Budget in lieu of the FY 2012 – 2013 Budget without notification to the board, stakeholders or funding applicants reducing our ability to fund needed community improvement projects and sustain a functioning neighborhood council,

Please introduce a council motion to restore funds in the amount of 7,231.00 to FY 2012 - 2013 Budget in lieu of the funds being removed from our current 2013 - 2014 FY Budget. The **Glassell Park Neighborhood Council** appreciates your assistance to protect neighborhood council funding available to Cd1 Constituents. Thank-you.

Respectfully,

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Ruby Devera GPNC Chairperson CC: FILE

Channa Grace, GPNC Treasurer, 2013-2014 FY Term

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