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20 March 2015

Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo
Council District 1
200 N. Spring Street, Rm 470
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: 2320 Haverhill
FILE: DIR-2014-4852-DIR
ENV-2014-4853-CE

Councilmember Cedillo:

At the GPNC Economic Development and Land Use meeting on March 12th the committee discussed a proposed project for 32 new single family homes with the address and file numbers listed above, an area also known as Walnut Canyon. At that meeting approximately 100 people attended and over a dozen spoke, all opposed.

The committee voted 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained to support the community's efforts including negotiations to purchase the properties in order to preserve open space throughout Walnut Canyon.

As the GPNC board, we encourage the council office to support--by every means available to your office--the community's work to make Walnut Canyon into a park for passive recreation.

Glassell Park is one of the most park-poor communities in Northeast Los Angeles. Currently, there is no passive recreation park in Glassell Park. Walnut Canyon would serve those who do not have easy access to passive recreation: low income residents, communities of color and those who live in higher density neighborhoods who have had inadequate park space for generations.

As a park, Walnut Canyon is one of the vital links in the chain that connects the wildlife corridors between the LA River and the Arroyo Seco. In addition, it is home to three groves of protected, old growth, black walnut trees.

Walnut Canyon will provide opportunities for hiking, nature studies and education for adults and children who currently are severely underserved, and would help bring some sense of park equity to these communities who

have been passed over when taxpayer dollars for parks were spent to serve wealthier areas.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Molly Lynn Taylor', written over a horizontal line.

Molly Lynn Taylor, Chair
Glassell Park Neighborhood Council

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