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SUBJECT: EXPO CENTER – DONATION FROM THE FRIENDS OF EXPO CENTER FOR YOUTH JOB CORPS PROGRAM

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R. Barajas _____ N. Williams _____
H. Fujita _____



General Manager

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Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept a donation in the amount of One Hundred Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$100,800.00) from the Friends of EXPO Center for EXPO Center's Youth Job Corps Program (Program) and give appropriate recognition to the donor;
2. Authorize the the Department of Recreation and Parks' (RAP) Chief Accounting Employee to approve, encumber and disburse stipend payments to participants of the Program from funds deposited in Fund 302, Department 89, EXPO (EPICC) Donation Account 89837M, sub-account PG; and,
3. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

The Friends of EXPO Center was established as a 501(c) organization in 1998 to develop the site of the 1932 Los Angeles Olympic Swimming Stadium and construct a state-of-the-art recreational and community center. Today, a thirty-two (32) member volunteer board comprised of community and business leaders continues to provide strategic support and fiscal assistance to EXPO Center. EXPO Center will receive One Hundred Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$100,800.00) from the Friends of EXPO Center for the EXPO Center Youth Job Corps Program. The funds will be deposited into the EXPO (EPICC) Donation Account 837M/PG. The funds will be used for the purpose of paying stipends to interns who participate in the Program.

The Friends of EXPO Center has supported this Program for eight years, donating a total of Three Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$398,000.00) to support EXPO Center's Youth Job Corps Program. This year, EXPO Center will be employing sixty (60) interns. The Natural

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History Museum of Los Angeles County, EXPO Center's program partner, will hire an additional ten EXPO Center teens to intern at the Museum. In total, seventy (70) teens will have an opportunity to receive a paid internship.

The EXPO Center Youth Job Corps Program is committed to positive youth development by providing healthy alternatives through job and life skills training to teen members at EXPO Center. Program elements include: learning about teamwork, building job skills and a strong work ethic, improving leadership skills, learning tolerance of others, and developing a sense of responsibility. Interns will participate and conduct activities in a day camp setting, aquatics, work in the Exposition Park Rose Garden, as well as gain administrative experience. Participants will intern a maximum of two hundred fifty (250) hours and receive a stipend of Ten Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$10.50) per hour of interning.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Acceptance of this donation has no fiscal impact on RAP's General Fund.

This Report was prepared by Belinda Jackson, Executive Director, EXPO Center.