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## Crossroads Hollywood Project

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Re: Crossroads Hollywood Project

Case No: ENV – 2015-2026 - EIR

Dear Mr. Huerta –

As a Los Angeles resident, I am very concerned about the Crossroads Hollywood Project. While I no longer live in Hollywood, as I once did, as a current volunteer at the nonprofit American Cinematheque, I am frequently in the area. When not at the Cinematheque, I patronize other local businesses – including bookshops (like Larry Edmunds), record stores (such as Amoeba and the Record Parlour) and many restaurants and coffee shops in the area (including Miceli's, Pig 'n Whistle, Javista and Berry Que, just to name a few).

As it is already, while some places do provide parking, for those that do not, it can be quite difficult to find parking in the area (particularly as there is a lack of safe and affordable municipal parking), and I often park several blocks away or circle around to find a meter that is relatively close, but often still have to walk several blocks to get to my destination. While this is still feasible for me, for others with mobility issues, it certainly is not.

And, of course, as you are surely aware, traffic (and, by relation, noise) in the area is already a challenge, which the Crossroads Hollywood Project will undoubtedly worsen.

As it is, there have been times when I intended to go to a local business in the area, but turned around and went home due to frustration with traffic conditions and/or the parking situation. This project will surely have a negative impact on the local businesses that I care about and support.

Another reason that I am strongly opposed to this project is because it involves the demolition of many historic structures that weave the important story of early Hollywood history. The Crossroads Hollywood Project will undoubtedly rob the neighborhood of not only some its history, but its local flavor as well. This development is not beneficial to Hollywood. It will displace small businesses currently leasing space in the historic buildings that are slated for demolition and will also disrupt the operations of other local businesses in the area.

I ask that you please take these concerns into consideration when it comes to the future of Hollywood. Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,  
Benjamin Wright