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GILBERT A. CEDILLO
SENATOR, TWENTY SECOND DISTRICT

July 16, 2009

Board of Directors
Autry National Center
4700 Heritage Way
Los Angeles, CA 90027

RE: Southwest Museum/Casa de Adobe

Dear Board of Directors:

It is my understanding that the Los Angeles City Council recently passed a motion to keep the museum facilities in Mt. Washington open as an independent and fully functional museum. I respectfully ask that the Autry Board of Directors do the same.

It has always been my position that the City of Los Angeles is best served by two functioning museums, the Southwest and the Autry museums. The former represents the first museum dedicated to the preservation of historical artifacts and traditions of the Southwest while the latter represents the ongoing goal to preserve and expand the southwest artifacts and traditions for the generations to come.

I trust that you would give the City Council motion its due consideration and importance, as it pertains to the best interests of all stakeholders, as well as to the residents of the City and the state as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gil Cedillo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

State Senator, 22nd District