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Senator Maria Elena Durazo
1808 W. Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90026

RE: Continued Opposition to SB710 and Lack of Monterey Park Representation on the Task Force

Dear Senator Durazo,

I hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to reiterate the City of Monterey Park's concerns with SB710, which seeks to establish a 710 Terminus Regional Planning Committee. Despite recent amendments made to the proposed legislation, our position remains unchanged due to the continued absence of Monterey Park's representation on the proposed task force.

While we acknowledge that the recent amendments have garnered support from the cities of Alhambra and Los Angeles, it is primarily due to their inclusion on the task force. We wish to express our disappointment at the continued exclusion of Monterey Park from this critical decision-making body. We believe that a truly effective and comprehensive regional planning committee should incorporate the perspectives and interests of all affected communities, including Monterey Park.

We appreciate your work on this issue and remain committed to working productively together towards a resolution that benefits all residents of the San Gabriel Valley. However, this can only be achieved through a fair and equitable representation of all impacted communities. We believe that a more inclusive approach, which incorporates the voices of all affected communities, is essential for progress on this important issue. We look forward to our work together on this project and we request a seat on the 710 Terminus Regional Task Force.

Sincerely,

Jose Sanchez
Mayor