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September 2, 2011

The Honorable Don Knabe
Los Angeles County Supervisor
822 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisor Knabe:

Established in 1924, Central City Association (CCA) is L.A.'s premier business advocacy association whose 450 members employ over 350,000 people in the Los Angeles region. CCA also has a particular emphasis on Downtown Los Angeles, and has been a proud steward of the area's incredible transformation over the past decade. Under CCA's leadership, Downtown's residential population has nearly tripled since the last census. On behalf of CCA, I offer this letter in support of a Los Angeles County supervisorial redistricting plan that keeps Downtown Los Angeles politically unified and all county supervisorial district lines substantially the same as currently drawn.

Downtown Los Angeles is the economic driver for the entire Los Angeles region, and will continue its growth as the city's core with the completion of major transportation projects, such as the Regional Connector; cultural venues, such as the Broad Museum; and entertainment destinations, including the Wilshire Grand redevelopment, scores of new restaurants and nightlife venues, and the proposed Farmers Field and Convention Center redevelopment. To continue the momentum of this remarkable revitalization, we need to keep Downtown's key economic assets together under unified political leadership with a common vision.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of the preservation of this vibrant economic and residential community.

Sincerely,



Carol E. Schatz
President & CEO
Central City Association of Los Angeles