

Paulette Matson, President



Kelly Lucera, Executive Director

November 14, 2017

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
333 W Ocean Blvd,  
Long Beach, CA 90802

**RE: Support for Item 25 - Shaun Lumachi Innovation Center (File Item 17-1039)**

Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

It is with great enthusiasm that the Long Beach Symphony fully supports, the renaming of the Small Business Development Center located at 309 Pine Ave, the Shaun Lumachi Innovation Center. As a former board member of our organization, Shaun was an integral part in the development of our organization and a visionary voice for Long Beach deserving of this lasting honor.

As you know, The Small Business Development Center located at 309 Pine Avenue is currently in the process of bringing a new operator to the facility to assist with activation, innovation and programming. With this pending change in operation, we believe now is the time to rename the building after someone who spent his life innovating and creating in Long Beach, Shaun Lumachi.

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In Service,

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Sincerely,

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Miles J. Nevin  
President of the Board  
Children Today, Inc.