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Dear Mayor and City Council of Long Beach,

RE: Please submit for the public record for the City Council meeting for Tuesday, October 1,
2013.

ITEM # 9

I OPPOSE the Completion of the I - 710 Freeway Extension

I am currently a resident of the City of San Marino, CA. My family owns two vacation condominiums on Ocean Blvd in Long Beach and we have spent many holidays enjoying the City of Long Beach. Also my husband is a physician and previously was an owner of a medical practice in Long Beach for 15 years.

I am writing to the Long Beach City Council to ask that they not support the Resolution to complete the I - 710 Freeway Extension. In recent years Long Beach has had a real renaissance and I would like the City to maintain this revival. The completion of the I -710 Freeway would be detrimental to all cities along the corridor including Long Beach.

The completion of the 710 Freeway would increase traffic on the entire length of the 710. It is already a nightmare to travel the 710 during all times of day but extending the 710 will not alleviate the car and truck traffic that travels on the freeway.

There are better options for trucks and goods movement (for example, by clean, quiet electric rail transport systems) that would benefit ALL the communities of the I-710 corridor and prevent the communities of the 210 corridor from experiencing the same environmental and health damage that the I-710 corridor has suffered.

Metro has stated over and over again that they are evaluating the performance of the tunnel with and without truck traffic, and that if no trucks are allowed, it will not achieve the goods movement corridor.

By Metro's own admission the I -710 will be a tolled roadway and that trucks may avoid using it for that very reason.

Regards,
Miriam Nakamura-Quan and Raymond Quan, M.D.