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Hi Monique (and team!),

Attached is our letter thanking Councilman Austin for adding his financial support of the Long Beach Gives campaign to tonight's agenda. Please include it in the packet to council. Thank you!

Best,

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September 5, 2023

Mayor Richardson, and Members of the Long Beach City Council  
Long Beach City Hall  
411 W. Ocean Boulevard  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Mayor Richardson, and Long Beach City Councilmembers:

This letter is to express our gratitude to our elected officials for supporting the nonprofits serving our city. Long Beach Gives returns for its fifth year on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

For the past four years, our elected officials have supported the Long Beach Gives campaign by increasing awareness and visibility for nonprofits around Long Beach. Your efforts, and your predecessors' efforts, have been invaluable – helping connect residents with services and driving nonprofit sustainability for more than 275 local nonprofit businesses since 2019.

Tonight, for the first time, a vote will take place to provide financial support for the Long Beach Gives campaign. We would like to extend a special thank you to Councilman Austin II for calling for this vote and to the other leaders on council who have pledged their support for this campaign. This investment will fund training and resources for over 240 nonprofits providing services across all 9 council districts, supporting nonprofit sustainability in our city.

We, along with representatives from the participating nonprofits, will return for a presentation to council on Tuesday, September 19 to outline the impact you're making on the nonprofit sector by supporting Long Beach Gives.

Thank you, again, for your continued support of the nonprofits that serve our city!

Best,

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