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Subject: KGA Letter of Support - Agenda Item 31 - Dr. MLK Vision Plan

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Good Afternoon,

Khmer Girls in Action supports tonight's council agenda item 31 to approve the Dr. MLK Vision Plan. Please see the Letter of Support attached.

Thank you,

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RE: Dr. MLK Jr. Park Vision Plan - Support Agenda Item 31 – April 5, 2022 Agenda

Dear Honorable Long Beach Mayor and City Councilmembers,

On behalf of Khmer Girls in Action and the youth and families we serve, I am writing in support of District 6 Councilwoman Suely Saro's Agenda Item 31 to identify funding and begin pre-planning efforts to develop a park vision plan for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

Martin Luther King Jr. Park offers green space, community programs such as the community Peace Garden, and is a source of cultural and historical significance to the Black/African-American community. The statue of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a civil rights leader who advocated for human rights, stands in the park, and every year the community comes together to host a festival following the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. parade.

The park has not seen improvements or renovations in over a decade. A vision plan for the Dr. MLK Jr. Park is needed to revitalize and upgrade our resources to improve the health and wellbeing of the residents in our community while honoring Dr. King's legacy.

I urge you to support this item by voting yes on Agenda Item 31 to identify funding and begin pre-planning efforts to develop a park vision plan for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

Sincerely,

Lian Cheun
Executive Director
Khmer Girls in Action