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DATE: July 9, 2019

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Councilwoman Jeannine Pearce, District 2 *JP*
Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, District 6 *DA*
Councilmember Al Austin, District 8 *al*
Councilmember Rex Richardson, District 9 *RR*

SUBJECT: Recommend Naming the Main Library the "*Billie Jean King Main Library*".

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a request from community members to name the new Main Library "*Billie Jean King Main Library*" and refer this item to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee for consideration.

DISCUSSION

The new Main Library, set to open on September 21st, 2019, will transform downtown with a bright, welcoming, modern space and programs for all members of the Long Beach community. There is no secret that well-funded and programmed libraries have a positive impact on the social determinants of health. Libraries can offer a safe place for individuals living with abuse, fighting loneliness, experiencing homelessness, and connect them with resources.

Councilwoman Pearce asked the community members to share their naming suggestions via email and social media. Over 1,200 people sent suggestions, but one name surpassed all the rest, Billie Jean King. It's clear from reading the list, Long Beach has many community leaders deserving of recognition in the community.

The diversity in support given to the world-famous tennis player, Billie Jean King, represents an array of values to our City, all which will continue to inspire those who come through our library doors. Her leadership in sports, the LGBTQ community, fighting for equality for everyone regardless of their race, class, or orientation has changed the World, making many in Long Beach extremely proud.

It is with this in mind we respectfully ask that the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee support the community request and name the Main Library the "*Billie Jean King Main Library*."

This matter was reviewed by Budget Manager, Grace H. Yoon on June 27, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation requests the City Council to consider a request from community members to name the new Main Library "*Billie Jean King Main Library*" and refer this item to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee for consideration. Implementing this recommendation is

anticipated to result in a moderate impact to staff hours beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and a moderate impact of City Council priorities.

Billie Jean King

July 3, 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Councilmembers,

I was thrilled to learn the brand new state-of-the-art Main Library at the corner of Broadway and Pacific downtown will have its unveiling this summer. What an amazing gift to the city of Long Beach.

Libraries are the core of our country's communities and as a child growing up in the Wrigley Heights neighborhood of Long Beach, our family regularly visited the Dana Neighborhood Library, the Bret Harte Neighborhood Library, and Burnett Neighborhood Library. I have always loved reading and was also fond of each of the libraries at Los Cerritos Elementary School, John Evans Hughes Junior High School, and at Long Beach Polytechnic High School, home of the Jack Rabbits.

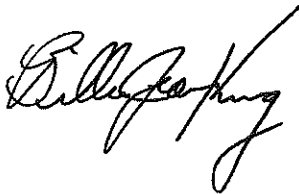
It is deeply humbling to have my name in consideration for the naming of the Main Library. This honor would represent my life coming full circle, and my complete belief of having a commonplace for the community, where all are equally welcome and have access to visit, learn, and grow.

Each and every day, I feel grateful to have been born and raised in Long Beach and have always been so proud to call it my hometown. Without the support of the Long Beach Tennis Patrons, the Long Beach Century Club, and the city's public service offerings, I wouldn't be who I am today. Long Beach fostered my dreams. I hope to help foster the dreams of many more in Long Beach, by giving back to the library and engaging many in learning about courage and equality.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Long Beach community with the same passion, care, and opportunity that I was given in my youth.

Thank you for your commitment to enrich the lives of the residents of Long Beach with this new library.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Billie Jean King". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "K" at the end.

Billie Jean King Enterprises
584 Broadway, Suite 906 • New York, NY 10012

June 15, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Main Library Naming Committee

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

We are excited to see the City opening a brand new, 93,000 square foot library as part of our Downtown Civic Center. It will be a beautiful palace of learning fit for a King, but built for you and me. It will have state of the art technology for the public to use and learn on, meeting rooms, lounge areas with park views, the best accessibility options in the nation, and yes, more power outlets than ever before seen in a library.

Libraries are pathways to fulfillment and success. They are safe places where anyone can spend their time--where children find the skills to be adults, and where adults find the spark that reminds them to dream.

The City has come far in embracing diversity and equality and has sent a message to the community that the local government wants to celebrate their bravery, and create safe places for people who might not be safe at home. We know many of our schools and libraries are named after men who have passed. Today we, the undersigned, ask that the City Council consider a name that inspires determination, courage, grit, and a spirit of uplifting everyone regardless of race, class, gender, or sexual orientation.

The library deserves a name that does this for Long Beach, a name that will make the world turn their head and see how far we all have come in the name of equality for all.

We propose the Billie Jean King Library.

Billie Jean King is a homegrown Long Beach heroine. She credits our libraries and our parks for her success. She is a graduate of Poly High School and has returned to Long Beach to give back and thank the city.

Billie Jean King has an extensive history of breaking boundaries and re-creating norms. She is a former World No.1 professional tennis player winning 39 Grand Slam titles.

She is regarded by many in the sport as one of the greatest women's tennis players of all time. King was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1987. She also founded the Women's Tennis Association and The Women's Sports Foundation. She beat Bobby Riggs in the historic 1973 "Battle of the Sexes" tennis match, a groundbreaking historical moment when notes in her recent children's book that she also realized she identified as gay.

In 1972 she was, along with John Wooden, the joint winner of the Sports Illustrated 'Sportsman of the Year' award. She became Time Magazine's Person of the Year in 1975. She has also received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1990.

King is also an established author, an advocate for gender equality and has long been a pioneer for equality and social justice.

We applaud Councilwoman Pearce for reminding Long Beach that the Main Library is not just books, but a place that will be filled with stories of people who inspire young and old to be in competition with their best selves, a place that offers safety and community. No one is a better example of a life lived with this courage than Billie Jean King.

A jewel herself, Billie Jean King is the perfect Long Beach Hometown Hero to dawn her name on our City's new Jewel Box, The Long Beach Main Library. Named in her honor, the new Main Library will serve to lead future athletes, scientists, authors, designers and all others to great accomplishments and goals that will reward us for generations to come.

We ask that you consider Billie Jean King as the new name of the Main Library.

Sincerely,

Juan Benitez, *LBUSD School Board Member*

Rocio Torres, *AOC7 Board Member*

Ennette Morton, *Commissioner, Youth and Families*

Darick Simpson, *Executive Director, Long Beach Community Action Partnership*

Dianne Mcninch, *Former President LBCCD Governing Board of Trustees*

June 10, 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council,

We are excited to see the City of Long Beach open a brand new library as part of our Downtown Civic Center. Libraries are pathways to fulfillment and success. They are safe places where anyone can spend their time while seeking knowledge and growth. Within the walls of libraries children find the skills to be adults, while adults rekindle the spark that reminds them to dream. The City has grown a great deal in the past several years demonstrating that it embraces diversity and equality. This has sent a message to the community that our local government wants to boldly celebrate the pride it takes in creating places for all people. Still, we have noticed that several of our local institutions of knowledge such as schools and libraries are named in honor of men who have passed. This is not representative of the rich diversity that makes up the city we love.

We as leaders, neighbors, and friends of the LGBTQ community, are all members of various identities who believe the time is long overdue to have an institution within our city that embraces and inspires LGBTQ youth. It should be a place that encourages all children to have the bravery for a vision to never waiver and unapologetically be who they are regardless of gender or sexual orientation. We ask that the City Council consider a name that inspires strength, courage, bravery, and a spirit of uplifting all people. For us that person is Billie Jean King.

As a graduate of Poly High School, Billie Jean King is a product of Long Beach intuitions. She knows firsthand what it is like to not be represented equally amongst the competition. Yet in the face of adversity she overcame many barriers to become one of the greatest women tennis players of all time. This was an uphill battle that she faced at a time when it was not acceptable to be out and proud. Still, she persevered. Many of us within the community can relate to such struggles when working hard to be true to ourselves.

Billie Jean King credits our libraries and our parks for her success. Not just a pioneering athlete, King is also an established author, who advocates for gender equality and social justice. That is why we feel no one on the national level inspires us more than Long Beach's very own Billie Jean King. Billie Jean King is nothing short of a Long Beach heroine. That is why we ask you to consider Billie Jean King as the new name of the Main Library.

Sincerely,

<i>Cory Allen</i>	<i>Anthony Barr</i>	<i>Herlinda Chico</i>	<i>Mia Farrow</i>
<i>Randy Melendez</i>	<i>Richard Madrid</i>	<i>Nolan Ross Samé-Weil</i>	<i>Bryan Weil</i>
<i>Missy Vee</i>	<i>Sam Ny</i>	<i>Roxy Del Valle</i>	<i>Oranan Del Valle</i>
<i>Juan Martinez</i>	<i>Dina Aguilar</i>	<i>Brenda Levi</i>	<i>Mahaliah Nakita</i>
<i>Marcia Tolentino</i>	<i>Stella Ursua</i>	<i>Krystal Archer Michaels</i>	<i>Kristen Lerner</i>
<i>Robbie Osa</i>	<i>Josh Krantz</i>	<i>Robin Dodson</i>	<i>Randy Amante-Saner</i>
<i>Debra Kahookele</i>	<i>Kevin Penn</i>	<i>Dani Carter</i>	



"First In Athletics"

May 31, 2019

Mayor Garcia and Councilmembers,

On behalf of Long Beach Century Club's Board of Directors and 500 Members please accept this letter of endorsement for naming the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

The Long Beach Century Club which was formed in 1957 has a long history with Ms. King. Early in her career the Century Club was instrumental by providing financial support for her first trip to Wimbledon in 1961. Over the years Ms. King has warmly and publicly remembered her deep Long Beach roots and graciously mentions the support she received from her hometown.

Billie Jean King graduated from Poly whose motto 'Home of Scholars and Champions' left a lasting impression. We believe it is fitting that Billie Jean King should leave a lasting impression on the City of Long Beach.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Goldberg

President Long Beach Century Club



The Long Beach Century Club Supports Naming the Main
Library in Honor of Billie Jean King

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	CITY	ZIP
ADAMS	FRED	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
ADAMS	RICHARD	LONG BEACH	90803
ADOLPH	BRETT	LONG BEACH	90803
ADOLPH	TANYA	LONG BEACH	90803
AGNEW	MARY JANE	LONG BEACH	90815
ALLEN	AMANDA	LONG BEACH	90815
ALLEN	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90815
ALLICE - H/F Coach	RON	CERRITOS	90703
ALMAS	MYRNA	LONG BEACH	90803
ALVAREZ	DAVID	LAKEWOOD	90712
ANDERSON	STAN	SEAL BEACH	90740
ANDREWS	DEE	LONG BEACH	90802
ANTONELLI	TERRY	RANCHO PALOS VDS	90275
ANTONETTE	RON	LONG BEACH	90815
ARGUMEDO	JULIUS	LONG BEACH	90803
ARGUMEDO	NICOLE	LONG BEACH	90803
ARMIJO	ALAN	LONG BEACH	90803
ARROYO	GAVIN	LONG BEACH	90815
ASHLEY	SHAWN	LONG BEACH	90807
ATWOOD-A/Y-H/F-Olympian	SUSIE	LONG BEACH	90803
AZEVEDO - Olympian	TONY	LONG BEACH	90815
BABIAN	RICHARD	LONG BEACH	90815
BACA-P/P 2007	BILL	LAKEWOOD	90713
BACKLUND	JOANNE	LONG BEACH	90803
BACKLUND	LEIF	LONG BEACH	90803
BACOL	PETE	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
BAHOU	ED	LONG BEACH	90803
BALDWIN	KYLE	LONG BEACH	90815
BANUELOS	JESSICA	BUENA PARK	90621
BAPP	CAROLYN	LAKEWOOD	90713



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BARLOW	SEAN	LONG BEACH	90803
BARSOTTI	KURT	SEAL BEACH	90740
BARTON	GUY	LONG BEACH	90815
BEAT	MARK	LONG BEACH	90815
BEATTY	STEVEN	LONG BEACH	90807
BEEBE	JASON	LONG BEACH	90808
BEELI	LUIS	LONG BEACH	90803
BELLEHUMEUR	ALEX	LONG BEACH	90803
BELLO	STEPHEN	LONG BEACH	90803
BENNETT	RICK	LONG BEACH	90803
BENNETT 1st Vice-President	TOM	LONG BEACH	90803
BERRY	BELINDA	LONG BEACH	90803
BERRY	REGGIE	NORWALK	90650
BERRY, III	RICHARD	SAN CLEMENTE	92673
BERSHTEL	NATAN	LONG BEACH	90808
BIFFLE	LAMARR	LONG BEACH	90805
BLAIR	BOB	LONG BEACH	90803
BLAZER	SANDY	LONG BEACH	90814
BLOOD-P/P 2007 - 2009	STEVE	RUNNING SPRINGS	92382
BONNEY	CHRIS	LONG BEACH	90803
BRADLEY	KEVIN	LONG BEACH	90815
BRADLEY- P/P 2013 -H/F-Olympi	BRUCE	LONG BEACH	90803
BRADY	REBECCA	LOS ANGELES	90013
BRAN	HECTOR	LONG BEACH	90803
BRAUN	GAYLE	LONG BEACH	90803
BREITHAUP	SCOT	REDONDO BEACH	90277
BRENT	OLLIE	INGLEWOOD	90305
BREUKLANDER	JEFF	LONG BEACH	90815
BREUKLANDER	SUE	LONG BEACH	90808
BREUKLANDER-P/P 93 - 05	SAM	LONG BEACH	90808



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BREWER	C.J.	LONG BEACH	90808
BRISCOE	JOHN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
BROOKS	GAYLE	LONG BEACH	90803
BUCHANAN	DANA	LONG BEACH	90804
BUCK	KEN	LONG BEACH	90803
BUCKLEY	TROY	LONG BEACH	90815
BUCKLEY	TERRY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
BUSSA	TOM	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
CAMPBELL	CHRIS	LONG BEACH	90802
CAMPBELL	MIKE	REDONDO BEACH	90278
CARLSON	KELLYN	LONG BEACH	90803
CARLSON Immediate PP	JOE	LONG BEACH	90803
CASTILLO	PAUL	LONG BEACH	90803
CASTRO	JOE	LONG BEACH	90803
CLAMP	ELMA	SEAL BEACH	90740
CLAPP	STEVE	STANTON	90680
CLARK	BILL	LONG BEACH	90803
CLARK	BONNIE	LONG BEACH	90803
CLARK	ROB	LONG BEACH	90804
COHEE-P/P 2011	GARY	LONG BEACH	90803
COLES	RICH	SEAL BEACH	90740
COLLIVER	DICK	LONG BEACH	90803
COLONNA	FRANK	LONG BEACH	90803
COLONNA	MIKE	LAQUINTA	92253
COMPTON	HAROLD "HAL"	LONG BEACH	90803
CONBOY	BRIAN	LONG BEACH	90802
CONKINGS	LARRY	LONG BEACH	90808
CONOLEY	COLLIE	LONG BEACH	90815
COOPER	JACK	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
CORDES-P/P 1990	KEITH	BEND	97702



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CORNEJO	JEFFREY	LONG BEACH	90808
COUGHLIN	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90803
COULTRUP	KRISTINA	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
COVEY	PHYLLIS	LONG BEACH	90815
CRIBBS-P/P 1995	CURTIS	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92646
CRISSMAN	CHRISTINA	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
CRITES	MARY JO	LONG BEACH	90807
CROSS	CRAIG	LONG BEACH	90802
CROSS	RICHARD	FULLERTON	92831
CURTIS	NURY	LONG BEACH	90814
DAVIS	STEVE	LONG BEACH	90803
DE JONG	CHASE	LONG BEACH	90815
DE JONG	CLAYTON	LONG BEACH	90815
DE VERA	MARLENE	BELLFLOWER	90706
DECKER	BRAD	LONG BEACH	90815
DELATERRE	NORMAN	SEAL BEACH	90740
DeLONG	GARY	LONG BEACH	90815
DENA	BERENICE	LONG BEACH	90807
DEVRIES	VALI	LONG BEACH	90815
DEWEESE	TIM	LONG BEACH	90815
DIAMOND	JIM	SEAL BEACH	90740
DIETTE	BRENDAN	NEWPORT BEACH	92660
DIMARZO	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90808
DODGE	BILL	LONG BEACH	90815
DONEY	THOM	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
DOWE	TED	LONG BEACH	90803
DUFAULT	JASON	LONG BEACH	90803
DUNN	JIM	LONG BEACH	90814
DUREE	RICK	LONG BEACH	90803
DURNIN	SHAWN	LONG BEACH	90803



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DUTILE	GINNY	LONG BEACH	90803
EATON	JAMES	LONG BEACH	90803
EIFERT	KURTIS	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
EISENBERG	MARTY	LONG BEACH	90740
ELLIS	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90808
EVANS	JEFF	LONG BEACH	90808
EVERSON	TOM	SEAL BEACH	90740
FACKRELL	TOM	SEAL BEACH	90740
FAIRBANKS	DALE	LONG BEACH	90808
FAWVER	MICHAEL	LONG BEACH	90803
FEAGIN II	JESSE L.	LONG BEACH	90805
FEE	ANDY	LONG BEACH	90840
FEKJAR	ERIN	LONG BEACH	90807
FELL	MARK	LONG BEACH	90814
FENOGLIO	BILL	CLEVELAND	44113
FIDDLER	JJ	LONG BEACH	90803
FILLIPOW	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90815
FISCHER	MATTHEW	LONG BEACH	90802
FISH	WARREN	LONG BEACH	90803
FITZPATRICK	SHAWN	LONG BEACH	90808
FLANAGAN	CJ	LONG BEACH	90815
FLANAGAN	KEVIN	LONG BEACH	90815
FONTES Second Vice-Pres	DENNIS	LONG BEACH	90814
FORD	CAMERON	LONG BEACH	90815
FOSTER-P/P 1988	RICHARD	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92646
FRONTINO	ROD	LONG BEACH	90803
FYLPAA P/P 2012 P/Treasurer	JOHN	FOUNTAIN VALLEY	92708
GARCIA	ALEX	LONG BEACH	90815
GARCIA	BENNY	LONG BEACH	90803
GARR	GEORGE	LONG BEACH	90803



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GASCHEN	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90803
GASTWIRTH	PETE	TEMECULA	92592
GATLEY	LIONEL	LONG BEACH	90803
GOLDBERG Pres 2018-2019	BENJAMIN	LONG BEACH	90803
GOOCH-P/P 1989 -2004 -2009	DANIEL P.	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
GRAY	MARK	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
GROSSI	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90815
GUAPO	LOUIS	LONG BEACH	90803
GUARDABASCIO	MATT	LONG BEACH	90807
GUARDABASCIO P/P 2014	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90815
GULIAN	VICTORIA	LONG BEACH	90803
GURICH	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90815
HAFT	MAGGI	LONG BEACH	90807
HALL	ANDREW	LONG BEACH	90807
HALLORAN-P/P 2010	MARK	LONG BEACH	90814
HANCOCK	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90803
HANNA	RON	SEAL BEACH	90740
HANSEN	CAROL	LONG BEACH	90803
HANSEN P/P 2016	KEITH	LONG BEACH	90803
HARRIS	DEMETRIUS	LONG BEACH	90802
HART	ARMANDO	LONG BEACH	90807
HATCH	DAVID	LONG BEACH	90808
HAYES	RICK	SEAL BEACH	90740
HEARN	MARK	LONG BEACH	90805
HEDGES	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90808
HEIN	DAVID	LONG BEACH	90815
HEMINGWAY	TOM	ORANGE	92867
HENDERSON	DALE	POMONA	91766
HENDRICKSON	TYLER	LONG BEACH	90807



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HENNES	LAURA	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
HERMSTAD	TOM	SEAL BEACH	90740
HERMSTAD - H/F Coach	TOM SR.	SEAL BEACH	90740
HERRICK	JIM	LONG BEACH	90815
HIDALGO	BETTY	LONG BEACH	90815
HIGA -Pres-Elect 2019-20	SHAR	LONG BEACH	90815
HILL	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90815
HINTON	MARIE	LONG BEACH	90802
HOFMAN	CRAIG	SIGNAL HILL	90755
HOLLIS	PATTY	LONG BEACH	90803
HOWIT	LINDA MAYER	SIGNAL HILL	90755
HOYT-P/P 2008	ROBERT	LONG BEACH	90808
HUGHES	DEBBIE	LONG BEACH	90803
HUGHES	DONNA	SEAL BEACH	90740
HUSAK-P/P 1999	DR. BILL	LONG BEACH	90815
IMBROANE	CATHLEEN	WESTMINSTER	92683
INGRASSIA	BARBARA	LONG BEACH	90803
INGRASSIA	MAURICIO	LONG BEACH	90803
ISRAEL	AL	LONG BEACH	90803
ISTWAN	KRISTINE	LONG BEACH	90803
JACKSON	BETTY	SEAL BEACH	90740
JACKSON	JULIE	LONG BEACH	90803
JACKSON	RENAE	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
JACOBSON	CATHY	LONG BEACH	90803
JAKEMER	KEN	LAKEWOOD	90712
JAMESON	RUSS	LONG BEACH	90815
JESSNER	LINDA	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
JESSNER	MAURY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
JIMENEZ	MARIO	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
JOHNSON	DAVID	LONG BEACH	90803



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JOHNSON	GENE	LONG BEACH	90807
JOHNSON	JEANNE	SIGNAL HILL	90755
JOHNSON	STAN	SEAL BEACH	90740
JOHNSON	TIM	LONG BEACH	90804
JOHNSON - TREAS 2018-19	LUCY	LONG BEACH	90815
JONES	NATE	LONG BEACH	90755
KAMMEL	CASEY	LONG BEACH	90803
KARIGER	NELL	LONG BEACH	90808
KARIGER	ROBERT	LONG BEACH	90808
KASSIEN	TERRY	TUSTIN	92782
KEESE	JAMES	LONG BEACH	90808
KEISER	DAVINA	LONG BEACH	90803
KEMPER	ROBIN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
KERR	ANDY	LONG BEACH	90807
KERR	MEGAN	LONG BEACH	90807
KETLAND	CARL	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
KHAROUBA	SUHAIL	LONG BEACH	90815
KINDSCHI	RON	LONG BEACH	90803
KISTNER	WAYNE	LONG BEACH	90808
KLEIN	CARL	LONG BEACH	90803
KLEMME	BRUCE	SEAL BEACH	90740
KNABE	MATT	LONG BEACH	90815
KNABE	DON	CERRITOS	90703
KNIFE	ALAN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
KOLSKY	JON	LONG BEACH	90803
KONOWIECKI	JOSEPH	LONG BEACH	90803
KRASHO Dir. at Large 2018-19	CHERYL	LONG BEACH	90808
KREDELL - Olympian - Water Pol	CHI	SEAL BEACH	90740
KREINHEDER Sec. 2018-2019	MICHELE	LONG BEACH	90815



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KRIDDLE	LOU	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92605
KUNASZ	ADELA	LONG BEACH	90814
LALONDE	RUDY	SURFSIDE	90743
LAMPRECHT	RICHARD	CORONA	92883
LANTERMAN	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90803
LANUTI P/P 2015	VITO	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
LARRIEU	RON	ANAHEIM HILLS	92807
LARSEN	GARY	LONG BEACH	90814
LASHER	LYNN	LONG BEACH	90803
LASHER	RAY	LONG BEACH	90803
LASLETT	BILL	LONG BEACH	90814
LATIMER	MARK	ONTARIO	91764
LAWSON	DOW	LONG BEACH	90815
LED SAM	STUART	SEAL BEACH	90740
LEE	JEFF	MISSION VIEJO	92691
LEGEMAN	CHARLIE	LONG BEACH	90803
LEININGER	JERRY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
LEPORE	SANDRA	LONG BEACH	90803
LEVY	MICHAEL	LONG BEACH	90803
LIDDELL-P/P 1985	ROBERT(BOB)	INDIO	92203
LIDYOFF	ED	LONG BEACH	90853
LIEBECK	BRAD	LONG BEACH	90808
LITTLE	GARY	LONG BEACH	90803
LIVINGSTONE	BOB	LONG BEACH	90804
LOOMIS	DAVE		
LUND	DENISE	LONG BEACH	90803
LUND	DENNY	LONG BEACH	90803
LYON	COREY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	02649
LYON	NEAL	LONG BEACH	90803
MACALL	CLAUDIA	LONG BEACH	90803



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MADSEN	ANGELA	LONG BEACH	90804
MAGENHEIMER	FRED	LONG BEACH	90814
MALAVASI	BILL	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92646
MALDONADO	BOB	LONG BEACH	90803
MARK	JUDY	GARDEN GROVE	92845
MATHIS	TODD	LONG BEACH	90804
MATSAGAS	KENNETH	SIGNAL HILL	90755
MAXSON-H/M	BOB	ANACORTES	98221
MAY-TREANOR-H/F-A/Y-A/D-Oly	MISTY	LONG BEACH	90815
MCBRIDE	MIKE	LONG BEACH	90803
McBRIDE	RICHARD	LONG BEACH	90803
McBRIDE	TIM	LONG BEACH	90815
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MELILLO	STEVEN	NEWPORT BEACH	92663
MENTE	PATTY	BUENA PARK	90620
MERAZ	JULIE	LONG BEACH	90803
MEREDITH	CORY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
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MOFFETT	REBECCA	LONG BEACH	90803
MOLLOHAN	KENNY	COTTONWOOD	86326
MORE	DANA	GARDEN GROVE	91845
MORGAN	LORENE	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
MORRIS	JOHN	LAKEWOOD	90712
MORRISON	JOHN	SEAL BEACH	90740
MURPHREE	MATT	SEAL BEACH	90740
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NEAL	JIM	LONG BEACH	90803
NELSON	BRIAN	WESTPORT	06880
NELSON	ED	LONG BEACH	90815
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NEUFELD	MICHAEL	LONG BEACH	90803
NEWELL	FRANK	LONG BEACH	90803
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NOTT	MARTEE	LONG BEACH	90803
OAKES	CHERYL	LONG BEACH	90803
OATES	CLAIRE	LONG BEACH	90815
OATES	MICHAEL	LONG BEACH	90815
O'DEA	BARRY	LONG BEACH	90814
OLIN	STAN	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
OLIVER	KEVIN	LONG BEACH	90815
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PARK	LORRI	PALM DESERT	92211
PARKER	ANDREA	LONG BEACH	90802
PARKIN	ROBERT(BOB)	LONG BEACH	90803
PEARCE	STEVE	LONG BEACH	90803
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PICARELLI	JOE	LONG BEACH	90803
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PRUZEK	TODD	LONG BEACH	90815
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REED	SHIRLEEN	LONG BEACH	90803
REGAN	DAN	SIGNAL HILL	90755
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REYBURN	ROGER	LONG BEACH	90803
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RICHMOND	TIM	HAWAIIAN GARDENS	90716
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RIVERA	GABE	CYPRESS	90630
ROBERTS	ELLE		
ROBINSON	DON	LONG BEACH	90803
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ROSSI	DEDE	LONG BEACH	90814
ROTONDO	GENE	CYPRESS	90630
RUBY	DENNIS	LONG BEACH	90814
RUDY Historian 2018-2019	BRAD	LONG BEACH	90815
RUSSELL	BRIAN	LONG BEACH	90815
SACHSE	GREG	PHOENIX	85086
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SASSER	RON	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
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SAYLOR	JERRY	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
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SCHOOLEY	VERN	LONG BEACH	90803
SCOTT	ROLAND	LONG BEACH	90814
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SEAGREN	BOB	LOS ALAMITOS	90720
SEIFERT	LOUISE	SEAL BEACH	90740
SEIFRIED	JOE	SEAL BEACH	90740
SENSKE JR.	BOB	LONG BEACH	90803
SEVERSON-H/F - Football	JEFF	LONG BEACH	90803
SHADDEN	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90803
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SHAHEEN	VINCENT	LONG BEACH	90803
SHEA	DOUG	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
SHEA	GREG	LONG BEACH	90815



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SHRIVER	STEVE	ROSSMOOR	90720
SILVER	GREG	LONG BEACH	90803
SIMMONS	THOM	SIGNAL HILL	90755
SIMONS	COLLIN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92647
SISSONS	ROSEMARY	LONG BEACH	90803
SKELTON	GINETTE	LONG BEACH	90803
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SKELTON	RICK	LONG BEACH	90803
SLATER	PAUL	LONG BEACH	90815
SMALLWOOD	DOUG	LONG BEACH	90803
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SOWDER	KIM	YORBA LINDA	92887
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STENBERG	CAROLYN	LONG BEACH	90815
STEVENS	DAN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
STOCKTON	CAMDEN	SEAL BEACH	90740
STONE	RANDY W.	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
STONEBREAKER	KAT	UPLAND	91784
STONICK	LESLIE	LONG BEACH	90814
STOWERS	LEW	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
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SYLVIES	RICK	LONG BEACH	90803
SYTHE	ANDY	LONG BEACH	90815
TAGLIAFERRI	JEFF	SANTA MONICA	90401
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TAMNEY	JOHN	LONG BEACH	90803
TAYLOR	RICK	LOS ANGELES	90066
TEJANI	NASH	LONG BEACH	90815
TERPSTRA	CRAIG	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92648
TERRELL	AMY	LONG BEACH	90815
THARP	ED	LONG BEACH	90803
THOMPSON	JON	CORONA	92883
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TOKESHI	JOHN	GARDENA	90247
TOMBLIN	DEBRA	LAKEWOOD	90713
TOTORP	RANDY	LONG BEACH	90808
TRANI	PHIL	LONG BEACH	90807
TRAPANI	JOHN	HUNTINGTON BEACH	92649
TRAPP	TOM	LONG BEACH	90815
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WADE	STEVE	LONG BEACH	90814
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WALZAK	CHARLES	LONG BEACH	90802
WARE	JONATHAN	LONG BEACH	90802
WATERMAN	TOM	LONG BEACH	90803
WEINGARTNER	WILLIAM "AL"	LONG BEACH	90803
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June 14, 2019

Mayor Robert Garcia
Members of Long Beach City Council
333 W. Ocean Blvd., 14th Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Mayor Garcia and Members of Long Beach City Council,

The LGBTQ Center Long Beach congratulates you on the incredible redevelopment of the Downtown Civic Center. With the addition of a brand new 93,000 square foot library, our residents of all ages will have even greater opportunity to enhance literacy, participate in public program, and build community at our newest City library.

With the exception of Harvey Milk Park, there are no other significant cultural, civic, or educational facilities currently named after an openly LGBTQ person in the city. The Center wholeheartedly supports current efforts to name the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

King is an internationally recognized sports legend, Long Beach native, philanthropist, and advocate for women and the LGBTQ community. As someone who was once ranked the best women's tennis player in the world, King is one of Long Beach's most recognizable and successful athletes. Throughout her career and professional sports retirement, King has been a champion for women through her own public voice, philanthropic efforts, and personal activism. As one of the first professional athletes to come out publicly, King is also a pioneer and groundbreaking figure within the LGBTQ social justice movement.

There is no local legend more deserving than King, an international leader and role model who will continue to inspire new generations.

Thank you for considering this incredible naming opportunity for our Main Library.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter of support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Porter Gilberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Porter Gilberg
Executive Director



May 30, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

It was a tremendous pleasure to welcome Billie Jean King and her partner Ilana Kloss to the ownership group of the LA Dodgers in 2018. Their partnership has sent positive waves throughout not only baseball but the entire sports community. Having a fearless athlete and advocate like Billie Jean King in our group has reinforced that every decision made is inclusive, welcoming, and provides equal opportunities.

Her feat against Bobby Riggs in 1973 and raising of millions of dollars for AIDS causes and the LGBTQ community is a testament to her trailblazing leadership and compassion to create an equal society. She continues to support philanthropic endeavors and champion the next generation of leaders by providing vision, access, and advocacy through the Billie Jean King Leadership Initiatives. It communicates an incredible message to female athletes, businesswomen, and LGBTQ citizens across the globe that they are equal and beyond capable.

I cannot think of a more credible individual to be recognized and have the naming of the Long Beach Main Library than its hometown hero, Billie Jean King. She has done so much for so many and her legacy should be commemorated. She will be remembered by the next generation for her passion, persistence, and above all, purpose to do the right thing.

I am fully supportive of the naming of the Main Library "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library."

Sincerely,

Earvin Johnson Jr.
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Magic Johnson Enterprises
Co-Owner, LA Dodgers



May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the **Long Beach Main Library** in honor of **BILLIE JEAN KING**. As one of the few women who hold positions of power in sports and entertainment in America, I know that I would not have had the confidence or belief in myself were it not for the bravery and influence of Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean King is respected by men and women for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas and she is someone who has continuously stood up for those without a voice. As someone who interacts with the next generation daily, I appreciate the value of symbols and how powerful a name on a building can be. As Billie Jean always says, "the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself" and I want every young girl and boy to know her story and understand the power of what is possible. Libraries at their very core are places where people can dream. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

Please reach out with any questions and know that you have my full support and championing of the naming of the Main Library "**The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library**".

Sincerely,

Jeanie Buss
Co-Owner and CEO
Los Angeles Lakers
jeanieb@la-lakers.com



May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As one of the most significant and important Americans in history – and a native of Long Beach – Billie Jean has led a life committed to equality for all and she developed those values in her hometown of Long Beach.

Billie Jean King is respected by men and women for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas and she is someone who has continuously stood up for those without a voice. As Billie Jean always says “the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself” and I want every young girl and boy to know Billie Jean’s story and understand the power of what is possible. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

Please reach out with any questions and know that you have my full support and championing of the naming of the Main Library to “The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library”. Let’s all be on the right side of history.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Nichol Whiteman', followed by a long horizontal line.

Nichol Whiteman
Chief Executive Office
Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation

May 30, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean has made a profound impact on the sport of tennis and maybe more importantly in the fight for equal rights, securing her place as a significant figure in both sports and American history. She is highly respected for her accomplishments beyond the court, continuously standing up for those without a voice. I've personally known Billie Jean for over 30 years and have watched in admiration while she used her stature as a sports hero to fight for social justice. The drive and intensity she had as an athlete carried through in her fight for equality. It is without a doubt that Billie Jean's upbringing in Long Beach provided the foundation and determination she needed to become a social change leader.

By naming the library in her honor, both Long Beach and Southern California residents will get the opportunity to learn and be inspired by Billie Jean's story. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people go to learn, exchange ideas and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

You have my full support and championing of the naming of the Main Library to "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library." Thank you very much for your consideration and please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,





**Janet S. Dial, Vice President for University
Advancement and Executive Director
California State University, Los Angeles
Foundation**

May 31, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing today in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As an alum of California State University, Los Angeles, Billie Jean King has a sincere connection to the institution and the diverse population of people it serves. Cal State LA is ranked first in the nation for propelling a higher percentage of students from the bottom fifth of income into the top fifth of U.S. earners. In 1997, BJK received an honorary doctorate and over the past 20 years has participated in the "BJK and Friends Gala" which has raised significant funds to establish the Billie Jean King Scholarship and the Joe Shapiro Scholarship to support the Division II athletic teams and program. The entire athletic complex is named, "The Billie Jean King Sports Complex" and in 2016 the CSU Board of Trustees approved the naming of a new facility that Billie Jean King championed, to be known as the "Rosie Casals and Pancho Gonzales Tennis Center". Billie Jean King is an incredible ambassador for California and as a native of Long Beach she undoubtedly inspires so many in this community.

Every young person and adult should know Billie Jean's story and be inspired by what is possible with hard work and determination. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. Naming the library after Billie Jean King would be an honor for her and for the City of Long Beach. It would emphasize and elevate the story of a Long Beach native that is the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality. What an inspiration it would be!

I am happy to answer any questions and lend my full support to the naming of the Main Library as "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library". Let's all be on the right side of history.

Sincerely,

Janet S. Dial, Executive Director
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Cathy Jacobson-Guzy

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

In reference to the naming of the new Long Beach Main Library, I would like to recommend it being named after Billie Jean King.

I started playing tennis back in 1970 when I was 9 years old. It was a family sport—my parents were my first teachers. They introduced me and my sister to the game and the sport I grew to love, excel at, and would eventually become the focal point of a successful career, including being the Director of Tennis for over 25 years at Billie Jean King Tennis Center here in Long Beach. I am convinced none of this would have been possible without the groundbreaking, pioneering work of Long Beach legend, Billie Jean King.

I am honored to call Billie Jean a good friend and former business partner. Not only has she inspired and continues to inspire young girls and women to pick up a tennis racquet and compete, but because of her daring leadership and willingness to break norms, she paved the way for women to receive equal pay for their skills and talents at a time when this concept was practically unheard of, and was certainly not in the political spotlight as it is today. A tennis icon and activist, she broke ranks with the male-dominated USTA, formed the WTA (Women's Tennis Association) and fought courageously for equal rights and equal pay for women, fulfilling her lifelong dream to give women's tennis the prominence it deserved.

Yes, Billie Jean is a fighter, and she is a winner. In typical Billie Jean fashion, she won the "Battle of the Sexes" tennis match against Bobby Riggs in 1973, which not only promoted and recognized women's tennis, but also broke TV records, being viewed by 90 million people worldwide.

Our Long Beach native, Billie Jean King, has worked tirelessly to give back to the sport she loves, to the community she grew up in, and to the friends and associates who have supported her along her journey. Not only is she a tennis icon, former World #1, and champion who holds 39 Grand Slam titles, more importantly she's an inspiration to us all as a human being. Her life is a shining example for each of us, sending the message that it is possible to make significant change in the world. She inspires us to become the best we can be, fight for what we believe is right, achieve our highest goals and aspirations, and show kindness and generosity toward others.

The Long Beach community should be deeply humbled, honored and proud to call Billie Jean King one of our own. What better way to show our appreciation to this wonderful pioneer of women's rights, this woman of strength, tenacity, integrity, and courage by naming the new Long Beach Main Library after Billie Jean King.

Cathy Jacobson

President- First Serve Tennis, Inc.

June 5, 2019

Dear Mayor Garcia and City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed naming of the new downtown library after Billie Jean King.

As a lifetime resident of Long Beach, I do believe her background and international recognition as a Long Beach native while setting new cultural standards is befitting of this recognition.

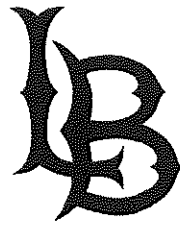
The naming of the Billie Jean King Library would be a great message for generations to come on how to pursue dreams and achieve at the highest level.

While I have never met Ms. King, I do believe the message of naming the library for such a strong individual It is a natural fit and excellent message.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Costello

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June 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

My name is Benny Garcia and I have been a resident in the city of Long Beach for over 15 years. I have worked in the sports industry my entire career most recently with the Los Angeles Lakers and now currently in the athletic department of Long Beach State (3 years). It has come to my attention that the new library in downtown will be renamed once it opens. I don't know if there is anyone more deserving than our own Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean King has been a role model for so many people across the country and abroad. This would be a perfect opportunity to educate and inspire future generations of our youth on her importance. Not only is she considered one of the best tennis players of all-time but more importantly a pioneer for social justice.

She embodies everything that is Long Beach. Her push for gender equality and leadership in all facets of social justice make her the perfect person for every youth in our community to see upon entering the library.

Thank you,

Benny Garcia
Director, Sales and Service



June 3, 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council:

I am honored and excited to support the effort to name the new main library downtown after Billie Jean King. As a History teacher and Varsity tennis coach at Long Beach Poly High School for over twenty-six years I can't think of anyone else who more embodies what our city should represent and continue striving to be like. As a graduate of Long Beach Poly High School, Ms. King's life, and accomplishments are a reminder to my students and players of what's possible in their lives through hard work and dedication. As a teacher I have also used examples from her life to help my students and players better understand that there is more to their lives than just playing a game or winning. In my opinion, these are qualities that make her an excellent candidate and role model to represent the city. I wholeheartedly recommend her and appreciate your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

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May 31, 2019

Re: Support of Naming the Long Beach Main Library after the great Billie Jean King

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council:

My name is Torie Frapwell and I am a teacher and tennis coach at Millikan High School in Long Beach, CA. I have been the tennis coach at Millikan for 13 years now and have worked with hundreds of young tennis players in that time.

I personally began playing tennis when I was 8 years old at El Dorado Tennis Center in Long Beach. I also played on the Millikan Tennis Team in high school and have been a huge supporter of Long Beach State Tennis as a CSULB Alumni. Needless to say, tennis has been an important part of my life in the City of Long Beach as far back as I can remember. One of my fondest memories was meeting Lindsay Davenport back in the late 90's. As a strong female tennis player, she was one of my idols.

Today, the players on my team don't know who Lindsay Davenport is, but when we talk about great women in tennis, they ALL know Billie Jean King. We all take great pride in the fact that such an incredible woman and role model is from Long Beach.

I believe that naming the new public library after such an important female figure from our city sends a positive message to the countless young athletes of Long Beach. We need to recognize and honor more women like Billie Jean King to help guide our youth towards positive and healthy lifestyles.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions or concerns.
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Sincerely,

Torie Frapwell

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June 1, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been called to my attention that the City of Long Beach is considering changing the name of our downtown public library. Our city-by-the-sea has long been associated with diversity, acceptance and excellence for several generations. There are many people in our community that may fit into the collaboration of these exceptional categories, but no one represents these ideals more than our "native daughter", BillyJean King.

What better way to embrace our community and our library than to brand it with a name that embraces the values of Long Beach and a life well-lived in our city. Billy Jean King grew up in an era that was less than accepting of the power of women and untraditional relationships, but as she advocated for gender equality and social justice in the world of sports, she also increased these issues for women in the everyday world. In no small way, she helped all of us, in our City Long Beach, to eventually embrace these values as well.

Please consider rewarding this exemplary woman by naming our library after Billy Jean King. Not only would this be a tribute to her, but a badge of courage to be displayed for our lovely city.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful consideration and honor to Billy Jean King.

Kindly,

Marilyn Frapwell
Resident of the City of Long Beach for 40 years

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council members,

I am writing on behalf of the Long Beach Tennis Patrons organization, of which I have been a member for forty years. This organization was founded in Long Beach in 1955 to aid, assist, encourage and develop promising amateur tennis players. We are the organization which helped to send Billie Jean Moffit, then a student at Long Beach Poly High School, to Wimbledon. While we are proud that the name of Billie Jean King is being considered for the new Library, we would like to highlight that she is much more than a tennis player. Because of Billie Jean's support of equal opportunity, women as well as men have competitive athletic teams in colleges under Title Nine. Just as both men and women, rich or poor, have equal rights to the wonders of a library, so Billie Jean King has opened the eyes of the world that both women and men should have the right to equal pay for equal work regardless of gender. Before she championed the right of woman players to receive equal pay for winning a tournament, men players winning the same tournament received much more money.

Billie Jean King's name stands for important civic ideals. She changed history.

Sincerely,

Jane Quest

Long Beach Tennis Patrons



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May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing today in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As one of the most significant and important Americans in history – and a native of Long Beach – Billie Jean has led a life committed to equality for all and she developed those values in her hometown of Long Beach. Her contributions to the sports world, and especially to women's sports, are unmatched. I'll never forget, as a girl of 16, watching her beat Bobby Riggs in the tennis match heard 'round the world. It was a powerful moment for girls and women everywhere. And an equally powerful one for boys and men. Since then, I've watched Billie Jean King's leadership in the sports world generally and have admired her philanthropic pursuits. She has always been a tremendous role model in the best sense of the word.

Throughout her career, Billie Jean King, has done more than be an inspiration to women. She has been an inspiration to people of all genders for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas. She also has consistently stood up for those without a voice, including LGBTQ people. As Billie Jean always says "the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself." It's hard to imagine a better Long Beach shero after whom the library could be named.

Every young person and adult should know Billie Jean's story and be inspired by what is possible with hard work and determination, no matter what odds may be stacked against you. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. Naming the library after Billie Jean King would be an honor for her and for the City of Long Beach. It would emphasize and elevate the story of a Long Beach native that is the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality. What an inspiration it would be!

I am happy to answer any questions and lend my full support to the naming of the Main Library as "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library". Let's all be on the right side of history.

Sincerely,

Lorri L. Jean
Chief Executive Officer



May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council
Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I write today in support of naming the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING. As Long Beach's most respected and famous native you can do the city no greater honor than to enshrine the name of Billie Jean King on your magnificent new library.

America has many heroes, but there are two athletes, one female, one male, who stand above the rest: Billie Jean King and Jackie Robinson.

That Long Beach could be forever associated with its native, while she is still living, is an opportunity the city should not lose. Billie Jean is the embodiment of leadership and character and having her at the unveiling of the naming of the library would be a thrilling moment in Long Beach history.

You know all the particulars about Billie Jean King's athletic accomplishments. But, to me, it is the standard she has set for equal rights and women's rights that make her the greatest champion of all.

I look forward to being with you when you open your great new library and cheer for our nation's champion when her home town names the Billie Jean King Long Beach Central Library.

Sincerely,

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