



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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William W. Brien, M.D., Mayor

April 18, 2012

The Honorable Henry Waxman
U.S. House of Representatives
2204 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Waxman:

On behalf of the Beverly Hills City Council, I would like to express our appreciation to you for your timely and thoughtful correspondence to Mr. Arthur T. Leahy of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

Throughout the lengthy dialogue regarding the Westside Subway Extension and the proposed Constellation Boulevard subway alignment, our community has been unified in opposition to MTA's proposed tunneling under the historic buildings at Beverly Hills High School.

Repeatedly, our City Council has insisted that safety should be the paramount concern, and that extensive scientific review and comprehensive expert analyses must conclusively determine the presence of any seismic faults, methane gas or other safety risks. These impacts must be thoroughly reviewed - with detailed mitigation plans completely evaluated - prior to approval of MTA's Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report.

Please know that your commitment to the Beverly Hills community is greatly valued and that our Council appreciates your recommendations to MTA regarding its review process as it relates to safety of the proposed Subway.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "William W. Brien".

William W. Brien, M.D., Mayor
City of Beverly Hills

cc: Beverly Hills City Council
Jeffrey Kolin, City Manager