PASADENA ARMENIAN GENOCIDE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

272 South Los Robles Avenue Pasadena, CA 91101

May 22, 2012

LETTER OF INTENT
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Siobhan Foster Director of Public Works 100 N. Garfield Ave., Room N-306 Pasadena, CA 91101

RE: PASADENA ARMENIAN GENOCIDE MEMORIAL

Dear Siobhan Foster:

On May 10, 2012, Pasadena Armenian Genocide Memorial Committee was established to be a positive collaborative work group to work through the process with the City of Pasadena for the intent of proposing an Armenian Genocide Memorial. The intent is to submit our plans for a monument to honor the memory of the 1.5 million people that were victims of the Armenian Genocide, this historic tragic event will be memorialize forever in Pasadena. Every year Pasadena recognizes the Armenian Genocide of 1915 with a Proclamation to honor our residents with that memory.

Our committee is a collaboration of community leaders and organizations that are united with a positive and committed attitude, including two organizations that previously submitted competing proposals for an Armenian Genocide Memorial to the City of Pasadena. This team of organizations and individuals are the stakeholders of the Armenian community of Pasadena. Our partnership committee will ensure that the process is inclusive of all members of the community.

The intent of our committee is to follow the City's Park Monument Policy with respect to its appropriateness, compatibility and impact on park use. The Armenian Genocide is recognized by the City of Pasadena and the memorial symbolizes global efforts to prevent such events from

repeating again. The memorial will help to promote the peaceful recognition and remembrance of all similar historic events.

At our May 10, 2012 meeting, we unanimously agreed to establish the memorial at Pasadena's Memorial Park. This location aligns with the scope and intent both Memorial Park and a memorial for a historic event. The Armenian-American community has expressed its strong desire for a memorial, and not a sizable monument. This exerts a minimum impact on park use and obstruction of natural, open space from man-made exhibitions.

The proposed memorial reflects global and international values of life, human rights, and deterrence of crime against humanity. It helps to promote peace and civility and conforms to the shared values of members of the Pasadena community.

Cordially,

Judge Dickran Tevrizian

Chair, Pasadena Armenian Genocide Memorial Committee