City of Pasadena

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June 8 1998

Mr. Chris Holden, Mayor City of Pasadena Pasadena City Hall 100 North Garfield Avenue Pasadena, California 91109

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Dear Mayor Holden,

Enclosed is a copy of the report and recommendation of the China Ad Hoc Subcommittee of the Pasadena Sister Cities Committee (PACC) regarding its search for an appropriate city in China to be a sister city to Pasadena. The report describes the one and one-half year investigations made by the China Ad Hoc Subcommittee and why it recommends West District (Xicheng), Beijing as Pasadena's next sister city.

The Report and an oral presentation were given to the PSCC membership on 23 April 1998. A copy of the Report was mailed to all PSCC members not present so that there could be an informed discussion at the next regular monthly meeting. At this meeting, on 21 May, there was an oral presentation of the contents of the Report by it authors, a question and answer session, and membership discussion. After the discussion there was a vote by the PSCC members at the meeting on the Sub-committee recommendation to accept West District, Beijing as our next sister city. The vote was 39 to accept, 13 to reject, and one abstention.

The Pasadena City Council must approve the recommendation from the PSCC before a proposed new sister city becomes official. Therfore, we request that time be allocated during August for a presentation to the Council on the findings of the China Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

We would very much appreciate having a discussion on this subject with you prior to the the presentation to the entire City Council. We will contact your secretary, Ms Belinda Jacobs, and arrange a time that will be convenient for you.

Thank you for your interest and support of our sister city activities on behalf of Pasadena.

Sincerely,

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President

Pasadena Sister Cities Committee

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Chairman, China Ad Hoc Subcommittee Pasadena Sister Cities Committee

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Enclosure:

China Ad Hoc Subcommittee

Presents Its Recommendation For a Sister City - April 23.1998

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