

February 3, 2020

Mindy Wilcox, AICP, Planning Manager
City of Inglewood, Planning Division
One West Manchester Boulevard, 4th Floor
Inglewood, CA 90301

Re: Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center Draft EIR

Dear Ms. Wilcox:

As someone who has lived in Inglewood for decades, I wanted to share with you why I believe the Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center will be good for Inglewood.

This project will not only create additional jobs, but it will also play an important role in our community's revitalization. I remember a time when the Lakers and Kings played at the Forum, the horse track held frequent races and local restaurants and shops thrived. That's also why I'm confident that any increases in traffic can be managed. We've done it effectively before and that was without the technology that is available now.

We should have the foresight to recognize that the new jobs, economic development and \$100 million in community benefits this project will bring far outweigh the inconvenience of increased traffic for a couple of hours on game days.

I urge the City Council to approve the project's draft environmental impact report.

Sincerely,

Adel T. Riley Jr
President & CEO
WLM Financial