



Los Angeles Area  
Chamber of Commerce

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June 2, 2011

Hon. Tom LaBonge, Chair  
Hon. Herb Wesson, Vice Chair  
Hon. Ed Reyes, Member  
Art, Parks, Health and Aging Committee  
200 N. Spring Street, Room 1010  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Re: *LA Area Chamber support for proposed renovations at the Autry National Center's  
Museum of the American West***

Dear Councilmembers:

On behalf of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, representing over 600 businesses that employ over 700,000 people in the Los Angeles region, I write to support the proposed renovations approved by the Board of Recreation and Parks Commission on May 20, 2011.

The Autry National Center's Museum of the American West is a City treasure that we must continue to invest in so that their collections have the appropriate space available for the public's viewing. The LA Area Chamber of Commerce supports the Commission's action on May 20<sup>th</sup> and we urge you to uphold that decision.

Sincerely,

Gary Toebben  
President & CEO