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June 23, 2010

Mr. John L. Gray, President & CEO  
Autry National Center of the American West  
4700 Western Heritage Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90027

Dear Mr. Gray:

**AUTRY NATIONAL CENTER - LETTER REGARDING LAND LEASE EXTENSION**

The City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks supports the Autry National Center's (Autry) grant application to the State Department of Parks and Recreation, Office of Grants and Local Services' Nature Education Facilities grant program established by the passage of Proposition 84. We understand that if the application is successful, funding from this grant will enable the Autry to expand and install two new exhibitions within our existing building as well as to renovate our outdoor Trails West educational space.

We also understand that the Application Guidelines, which you have provided to us, require the Autry, due its land lease arrangement with the City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks to have a lease for a period of 30 years after the grant appropriation date of July 1, 2009. The Autry's lease was executed 23 January 1987 for a fifty year period ending on 23 January 1937. Because the Autry's land lease expires two years prior to the Grant Application's requirement that the museum have a 30 year land tenure agreement, the museum requires that the Department of Recreation and Parks provide you with this letter for the purposes of completing your Application request:

Subject to the Autry's compliance with the terms and conditions of the Lease, the City of Los Angeles acting through the Department of Recreation and Parks, currently would be favorably disposed to extending the term of the lease. Any lease extension application would, of course, need to comply with applicable law regarding leases on City lands at the time at which extension is sought and subject to final approval by the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners and the Los Angeles City Council.

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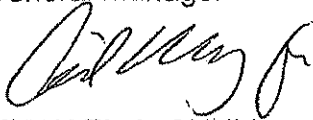
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We trust this letter will fulfill the grant application requirements but please do not hesitate to contact Cid Macaraeg at 212.202.2608, should you require further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

JON KIRK MUKRI  
General Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Shull". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

MICHAEL A. SHULL  
Superintendent

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