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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to inform you that the Southern California Committee for the Olympic Games is announcing its intention to bid to host the Games of the XXXI Olympiad in 2016 on behalf of the City of Los Angeles. We have the wholehearted support of Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles as well as the support of the leaders of the surrounding communities that are involved in the Games. Moreover, our effort will have the overwhelming support of the enormous, diverse, vibrant population that constitutes this exciting 21st century city.

We are committed to help take the Olympic Games to new greatness through innovation, as happened in Los Angeles in 1932, when the Games pioneered the Olympic Village, and 1984, when the Games first employed a tremendous force of volunteers. While proposing new ways to enhance the Games, a Los Angeles bid also will keep the best of special Los Angeles traditions—such as solvent private financing and use of our extensive existing facilities, most of which are new since 1984.

The Southern California Committee for the Olympic Games was created at the request of the United States Olympic Committee in 1939. Our purposes are to support the Olympic Movement and to bring the spirit of the Olympic Movement to the people of our community—particularly the young people of Los Angeles. We believe those goals go hand-in-hand.

We respect the responsibility and authority of the United States Olympic Committee to select the American city to bid for the Olympic Games. We assure you that we will give you our full cooperation in working with the USOC and the guidelines you establish.

We are confident that you will see in Los Angeles what those of us who live here know: We are always a city of the future – diverse, inclusive, innovative, capable and exciting.

With all best wishes,


Barry A. Sanders, Chairman

Enclosure