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Dear Port of Los Angeles and City of LA Representatives:

In November 2017, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council passed the following resolution and would like to present it here again to the Port of Los Angeles Representatives and Council District 15:

MOTION URGING THAT RED CAR TRACKS NOT BE REMOVED

While the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council understands that a portion of the Red Car tracks had to be removed for the realignment of Harbor Blvd. we were concerned to see the extent of the demolition of the tracks that appears to greatly exceed that needed for the roadway changes. There remains strong support in the San Pedro community for the return of the Red Car, and in fact an expansion along the lines of the feasibility study prepared by Wilson & Company in 2009. The scope is well beyond the short run proposed in the future San Pedro Public Market, including service to the cruise terminal, AltaSea, Crafted, Cabrillo Marina, and Cabrillo Beach. A possible downtown loop was also envisioned. It seems that tearing up the extended rails beyond the scope of the road realignment will inhibit the expansion of the Red Car in the future. This expansion was explicitly left as an option going forward in previous discussions about the Public Market and the Red Car.

Be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges the Port to refrain from the removal of any additional Red Car alignment and facilities that are not directly conflicting with current projects at the Port until this expansion can be considered further; and Be it further resolved, we request the retention of any previously removed Red Car materials and infrastructure components that could be re-used in a future expansion of the system.

Please contact Robin Rudisill, Chair of the CSPNC Planning Committee; at 310-721-2343 should you have any questions related to this letter and resolution.

Sincerely,

Doug Epperhart, President

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On behalf of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board

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