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December 11, 2007

Honorable Heather Fargo Mayor, City of Sacramento 915 I Street, Fifth Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mayor Fargo:

I am writing thank you for remembering the important role Chinese immigrants played in the construction of the transcontinental railroad as you consider approval of the Sacramento Railyards, the largest brownfields redevelopment project in the country. Today, the Chinese community continues to contribute to the vibrant cultural heritage and diversity of our region.

To commemorate this history, the Railyards Specfic Plan specifically mentions the Chinese Cultural Heritage and suggests reservation of space for a Chinese Garden. In addition to the garden, the Asian Pacific Islander and Sacramento community at-large, along with the Yee Fow Chinese Cultural Center Advisory Board, also envisions a flexible space that would provide for cultural exhibits, performances, banquets, and a world-class trade facility.

As co-chair of the Yee Fow Chinese Cultural Center Advisory Board, I thank you for keeping this privately-funded center under consideration as you proceed with approvals and implementation of the Railyards plans. Please contact me should you have further questions or concerns about this matter at (916) 319-2009.

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