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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION CHALLENGE RESOLUTION

March 22, 2014

Dear Mr. DeMulle:

On March 8, 2014 you submitted a challenge for the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council elections, addressing the eligibility of candidates.

After thorough review, it has been determined that your challenge does not qualify as a valid challenge because it relies on term limits that did not go into effect until March 24, 2010 when the City Council passed an enabling ordinance that addressed term limits and authorized Neighborhood Councils to impose them on Boardmembers.

The ordinance is 181132 and it states:

(2) Terms of members of the governing body shall be for two or four years, to be decided by individual Neighborhood Councils. Neighborhood Councils may limit the total number of terms that a member of the governing body may serve, if the term limitations are set forth in the Neighborhood Council's bylaws after the effective date of this ordinance.

The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council has the authority to impose term limits but they would begin in 2010 putting the end of the four terms in 2018.

Thank you for your commitment to the integrity of the Neighborhood Council electoral process.

Sincerely,

Neighborhood Council Elections Administration
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Cc: Jose Sandoval, Independent Election Administrator
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