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Ms. Judy Matsui-Drury City of Sacramento 915 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814

March 29, 2017

Dear Ms. Matsui-Drury:

I am writing to express my support and enthusiasm of the efforts of the South Land Park Neighorhood Association towards the creation of the Del Rio Trail.

I see this project as a unique opportunity to bring connection between the neighborhoods of Land Park, Z'Berg Park, the Pocket and Meadowview. When we can provide easy access to businesses, schools, the Belle Cooledge Library, the Sacramento Zoo, William Land Park and the river system for our communities, it's good for business, encourages recreation, and enhances health and community involvement.

A scientific study conducted in my district was completed by the City of Lodi finding new trails to be the most sought after park amenity by community members. I believe it would be a mistake not to pursue utilizing this four mile section of abandoned track in the heart of the South Sacramento area for connection and recreation that would benefit the entire region.

I am aware that a few years ago, State Parks proposed bringing back the rails. I fully support the South Land Park Neighborhood Association and the residents in opposing any attempts to reintroduce train traffic on this 4-mile section of right of way.

If you would like to meet with me for further ideas about this project, please don't hesitate contacting me. I will help in any way I can.

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Assemblymember, 9th District

Cc: Nita Barve, SLPNA Secretary

