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**RE: Planning Case #: ENV-2009-1577-EIR**  
**Project Address: 930 Wilshire Boulevard**  
**Project Name: Wilshire Grand Redevelopment Project**

Dear Ms. Salazar:

At our regularly held public meeting on August 11, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council ("DLANC") voted to submit the following comments in support of the proposed Wilshire Grand Redevelopment Project, pursuant to the motion passed on July 22, 2009, by DLANC's Planning & Land Use Committee.

DLANC generally supports the planned redevelopment of the site to provide new hotel, office, residential and retail/restaurant uses to serve Downtown's employees, residents and visitors. The project applicant presented the development concept and preliminary design to the Planning & Land Use Committee on July 22, 2009. DLANC strongly supports the redevelopment of the existing hotel to provide updated hotel rooms in close proximity to the Convention Center. In addition, DLANC appreciates the design of the pedestrian plaza to provide public open space that is visible and accessible from the street, and the proposed incorporation of a wide variety of greenbuilding features. In light of the potential benefits to Downtown, DLANC supports the applicant's request for a transfer of floor area rights (TFAR) and a Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Subvention sufficient to ensure the feasibility of the project.

Please provide a copy of any future notices and decisions to DLANC at the address listed above. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

J. Russell Brown  
DLANC President

CC: Greg Fischer (Council District 9)  
Emily Gabel-Luddy (Urban Design Studio)  
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