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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, ASLA (Hon.), Executive Officer

DATE: February 4, 2015

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of approximately 23 acres of land in the San Rafael Hills (APN's 5659-023-001; 5659-023-008; and 5659-025-004), Glendale.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of the offer of donated land in the Glendale area of the San Rafael Hills (APN's 5659-023-001; 5659-023-008; and 5659-025-004).

Background: The parcels are open space land located in the Chevy Chase residential area of Glendale in the San Rafael Hills east of the 2 Freeway. Preserving the property in open space contributes to protecting a wildlife habitat linkage between Pasadena and the Arroyo Seco to the east, to the San Rafael Mountains Open Space to the west. That protected area abuts the westernmost subject parcel. Two blue line stream drainages cross through the subject property (see attached maps). Mr. David Jackson, President of the Anderson Jackson Group, agent for the landowners, contacted staff a number of months ago to assess potential options for the property, and has also provided a very recent Title Report for review by MRCA Legal Division. A property inspection has been made, with no apparent issues that would forestall acceptance of the donation.