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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
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DATE: June 29, 2016

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a donation of approximately 0.13 acres, APN 4380-030-011, adjacent to existing MRCA open space, Beverly Glen Canyon, City of Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of an approximately 0.13-acre donation, APN 4380-030-011, adjacent to existing MRCA open space in Beverly Glen Canyon, in the City of Los Angeles.

Background: Staff was recently contacted about accepting a donation of approximately 0.13 acres on the east side of Beverly Glen Canyon. The subject parcel is adjacent to existing MRCA open space on its south side, and is approximately 75 feet from the next closest MRCA open space property to the north.

Chaparral habitat onsite mingles with the adjacent oak woodland habitat. The subject parcel would be a valuable addition to the disconnected chain of MRCA open space properties on the east side of Beverly Glen Canyon between Seabury Lane and the northwest edge of Beverly Glen Park.

The adjacent paper street, Latimer Lane, offers potential access for development, via the paved Seabury Lane, approximately 100 feet to the south. While scores of undevelopable private parcels remain in the Beverly Glen watershed, and there is no urgent need to accept most of them, development of the subject parcel is a near future possibility due to its close proximity to the paved Seabury Lane.

Processing this donation is not cost prohibitive to staff, because Area B Assessment District funding can be used.