

Venice Neighborhood Council

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March 25, 2008

City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks Commission

Subject: Venice Eco-Fest 2008 Fee Waiver

Dear Commissioners:

The Venice Neighborhood Council ("VNC") wholeheartedly supports Venice Eco-Fest 2008, and on March 18, 2008 approved \$3,000.00 from our annual budget to help produce the event. We view Venice Eco-Fest 2008 as a beneficial grassroots community effort, and strongly encourage the Commission to waive fees for the use of the Venice Beach Boardwalk for the event.

The VNC believes that Venice Eco-Fest 2008 promises to be a great annual community event that will emphasize: community; environmental education; awareness of conscious consumerism; environmental responsibility; green-enterprise; and the arts. As such, even in this time of tight budgets, waiving fees for this event would be a worthwhile exception.

Sincerely,

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Mike Newhouse, President Venice Neighborhood Council

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Cc: VNC Secretary

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