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3 April 1961

Mayor Dail and Members of City Council
San Diego, California

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that there is legislation pending to restrict considerably the area of shoreline available for water sports, specifically surfing, and I refer particularly to the area below California Western University towards Ocean Beach. As a citizen of San Diego and the father of a fifteen year old boy, I protest this action.

I should like to begin by saying that in an area where we have such desirable year-round climate, I think it is absolutely wrong to restrict boys from enjoying this healthful sport which, properly controlled, does no harm to anyone. The area I refer to is not suitable for swimming, consequently there is no hazard there from surfers, and if the boys were given legal access to this shoreline it could be profitably used for this sport. It seems to me that if we do not allow growing boys to indulge in this type of recreation we merely compound the old problem and call subsequent attention of our law enforcement agencies. In your deliberations I would ask that each of you remember that we were all boys once upon a time and all went through the problem of growing up, and it certainly seems to me that it would be far better to allow these youths to practice water sports as an outlet during this "growing up" period. Please, gentlemen, let's not take away the natural recreational facilities which San Diego has to offer.

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Sincerely,

W. E. Magnuson
833 Temple
San Diego 6, California

WEM:mrs

April 13, 1961

Mr. W. E. Magnuson
833 Temple
San Diego 6, California

Dear Mr. Magnuson:

Thank you for your letter of April 3, 1961, protesting the restriction of surfing in the area below California Western University, towards Ocean Beach.

Your letter was presented to the San Diego City Council at its regular meeting of April 6, 1961. Action taken at that time was to refer the communication to the City Manager.

Your interest in the problems of the City is appreciated and your recommendation will receive careful attention.

Yours very truly,

PHILLIP ACKER
City Clerk

By: Winnifred Boese

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Bathing, swimming, etc.

CITY COUNCIL REFERRAL ROUTE SLIP

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK

CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

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April 6, 1961 - (Item 113)

TO

City Manager

SUBJECT Communication - Mr. W. E. Magnuson protesting to restriction of surfing
in area below California Western University towards
Ocean Beach.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Refer to City Manager

ADDRESSEE'S ACTION

The mayor has appointed a committee to study surfing
problem - this will all be considered by that committee and an
answer will be made to all these communications when they
have arrived at a solution.

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