The San Diego Rose Society San Diego, California

June 25, 1949.

Mayor Harley Knox Members of the San Diego City Council

Dear Sirs:

I am president of the San Diego Rose Society and a member of the Society's committee for furthering the Municipal Rose Garden in Balboa Park.

Mr. Forrest Hieatt, chairman of the committee, has shown us the letter from Mayor Knox regarding the hearing to be held before the Committee of Fifty. We are very happy to have the opportunity to acquaint the group with the great interest we have found to exist in the project, and to try to enlist their active support. We hope to have sufficient notice of the date of the hearing to get word to the many people who are anxious to attend the discussion.

We of the Rose Society know that rose growing has great appeal for all ages and classes of people, and a public rose garden in Balboa Park would inspire general rose planting all over the city. Also it would prove a great attraction for tourists, who find San Diego roses spectacular and almost unbelievable. Roses in San Diego, properly cared for, bloom ten months of the year.

The very beautiful garden design already approved and passed by the Council will give San Diego a garden to love and be proud of. When it is established, the San Diego Rose Society intends to make every effort to DIEGO ROSE Society intends to make every effort to Becure the national meeting of the American Rose Society by way of celebration.

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