

December 26, 2024

County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors 500 West Temple Street Room 383 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Los Angeles County Supervisors,

On behalf of Heart of Los Angeles, I am writing in support of the La Brea Tar Pits Master Plan.

Located in the center of Los Angeles, this site is unlike any other research site on the planet. Not only does it provide one-of-a-kind scientific discoveries daily, but it is an accessible place for our community to witness the scientific process and learn about our planet's history and how it relates to life today. Generations of Angelenos have been able to more closely engage with science thanks to the Tar Pits.

The Natural History Museum has been an invaluable programmatic partner for our Scientific Arts program, providing our students with amazing opportunities to explore and learn in the natural world through classes and field trips. We strongly believe this plan will enhance the site's importance to science, education, and community development.

New classrooms, a fossil lab that is visible to the public, and redesigned grounds with more space for leisure and community events will all magnify the Tar Pits' value to the public.

After careful review, we urge you to support this plan.

Sincerely,

Tony Brown

CEO, Heart of Los Angeles