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Los Angeles Metro Board of Directors
c/o Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority
One Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, California 90012

Cc: David White, City Manager, City of Santa Monica
Ed King, Director of Transportation, City of Santa Monica

Re: METRO End of Line Policies and Impact on Santa Monica Neighborhoods

Dear CEO Washington, Board Secretary Jackson, West LA Board Deputy Bruins, and Board of Directors:

We are writing you on behalf of the Ocean Park Association (OPA), one of the Neighborhood Associations recognized by The City of Santa Monica. We represent the area bordered by Pico on the north, Marine Street on the south, the Ocean on the west and Lincoln Blvd to the east.

Our primary focus is on the well being of the community, including residents, property owners, and the local businesses that surround us. We are dedicated to preserving and advancing the neighborhood's character and quality of life, as well as working with the City of Santa Monica to promote a more vibrant, livable, and safe community.

We are writing to express our support for the actions taken on October 20, 2022 by the LA County Metropolitan Transit Authority [METRO], Board of Directors to evaluate the "End of Line" policies and to examine community impact.

The City of Santa Monica has historically assisted people who are unhoused to the best of their ability. OPA supports the City of Santa Monica actively engaging in conversations about "End of Line" policies and collaborating with METRO on finding continued solutions for all communities.

We encourage METRO to work with the City of Santa Monica, homeless agencies, and other partner organizations and governments to develop better solutions to the “End of Line” issues.

We are inspired by the action of the METRO Board and offer our support as a neighborhood organization to assist everyone in finding solutions.

Regards,

Sean Besser

President, Ocean Park Association on behalf of the Ocean Park Association Board of Directors