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## City of Garden Grove 11222 Acacia Parkway P.O. Box 3070 Garden Grove, CA 92842

May 17, 2016

## **Definitions**

For the purposes of this letter the following terms are defined unless from the context a different meaning is intended:

"Palm trees" includes all existing palm trees and woody vegetation planted on City easement on Cardinal Avenue, Partridge Street, and Redbird Street.

"We" includes all residents residing on Cardinal Avenue, Partridge Street, and Redbird Street whose names and signatures are documented below.

"Us" includes all residents residing on Cardinal Avenue, Partridge Street, and Redbird Street whose names and signatures are documented below.

## To Garden Grove City Council:

Recently, the Public Services Department has been directing a number of residences on Redbird Street to remove palm trees that were planted on City easement in violation of Garden Grove Municipal Code 11.32.020. It is important to note that the following residences also have palm trees planted on City easement with or without the City Manager's permission.

13531 Partridge Street, CA 92843	12531 Cardinal Avenue, CA 92843
13521 Partridge Street, CA 92843	13562 Redbird Street, CA 92843
13512 Partridge Street, CA 92843	13532 Redbird Street, CA 92843
13532 Partridge Street, CA 92843	13521 Redbird Street, CA 92843
12611 Cardinal Avenue, CA 92843	13531 Redbird Street, CA 92843
12602 Cardinal Avenue, CA 92843	13551 Redbird Street, CA 92843
12592 Cardinal Avenue, CA 92843	13561 Redbird Street, CA 92843

Instead of waiting for the Public Services Department to determine whether existing palm trees on the aforementioned residences are also in violation of GGMC 11.32.020, we sincerely ask the City Council to allow us to preserve the existing palm trees without penalty or further corrective action(s).

We applaud the Public Services Department for striving to improve the general appearance of the City. With that said, we are also striving to do our part to make the City a more aesthetically pleasing, healthier, and safer place for residents to live. Case in point, we have voluntarily planted these palm trees on City easement at our own expense with the intention of improving the general appearance of the City and making the City a healthier place for its citizens. We might have inadvertently violated GGMC 11.32.020 by not seeking approval from the City Manager prior to planting these palm trees on City easement. However, there is no clear evidence that the existing palm trees detract from the neighborhood or present a potential liability to the owners and the City. On the contrary, these palm trees are beautifying the City and contributing to a healthier living environment for the City's residents. In addition, the location of these palm trees are consistent with tree(s)/shrub(s) being planted on City easement throughout the City and neighboring Santa Ana City (i.e. palm trees being planted along Fairview Street). It would be a detriment to the City to have owners remove these palm trees from the City easement because without these palm trees, the City easement would primarily consist of dead and dry grasses as a direct result of the current drought.

Under GGMC 11.32.170, we formally request the City Council to use its literal interpretation to weigh the costs/benefits of these palms trees and to grant owners permission to preserve existing palm trees on City easement without penalty or further corrective action(s).

We thank you for your understanding and look forward to your final decision.

Warm regards,

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