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Date: January 7, 2009

To: Mr. P. Lamont Ewell, City Manager
The Members of the Santa Monica City Council

Re: City Budget Priorities

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input regarding the community's cultural priorities as part of the budget planning process. We would like to express our appreciation for the City's investment in Santa Monica's creative sector and your ongoing commitment to supporting the cultural life of Santa Monica.

We urge the City to make sure that the FY 2009-10 budget contains the resources needed to sustain the current level of support for and investment in the creative sector, in keeping with the implementation of community priorities as specified in the adopted cultural plan.

Sincerely,

Suchi Branfman
Chairperson
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