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Honorable Mike Bonin Councilmember, 11th Council District Los Angeles City Council
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RE: Draft EIR — ENV-2016-2319-EIR
12001 Chalon Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90049 (Mount St. Mary's University) Request for
Recirculation

Councilmember Bonin and Mr. Keller:

Upper Mandeville Canyon Association supports the request by the Sunset Coalition and Brentwood Residents Coalition for correction and recirculation of the Mount St. Mary's University draft EIR for their proposed Wellness Pavilion project.

We at UMCA have long been involved in an overall effort to get residents properly informed and their opinions heard by City agencies in all the issues that effect our hillside community. Fire and safety, traffic, increasing density and development are our primary concerns and we do not feel that the powers that be in our City sufficiently respect our judgment on these matters. The complaint about "no response" to the Sunset Coalition and Brentwood Residents Coalition from City agencies and representatives – as stated by Mr. Douglas Carstens' letter of Feb. 21, 2019 - seems to be another example of this communication gap.

Upper Mandeville is not an immediate neighbor of Mt. St. Mary's but we are close enough to be seriously effected by the school's impact on local traffic and other consequences especially when there is fire in our hills. If institutions like Mt. St Mary's and developers in general can misstate or misinterpret the results of an EIR our danger increases.

UMCA cannot render a legal judgement or even an educated assessment about the school's EIR, but the complaint of the Coalitions to the Councilmember and the Planning Officer seems convincing. We urge the City to order the applicant to accurately describe the EIR to the impacted community. We hope our Agencies and Representatives heed the residents' reactions to a more honest description.

with respect,

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