NO. 06-315 **REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER** DATE October 18, 2006 C.D. 4 BOARD OF RECREMIN BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSI GRIFFITH PARK - DONATION TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN THE SUBJECT: GEORGE HARRISON MEMORIAL MONUMENT AT THE GRIFFITH **OBSERVATORY** H. Fujita J. Combs M. Shull *K. Regan F. Mok J. Kolb **B** Jensen S. Huntley Withdrawn Approved Disapproved

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Accept, with gratitude, an initial donation from the George Harrison Estate, in the amount of \$5,065 for improvements and maintenance during Fiscal Year 2006-07 of the George Harrison Memorial Monument, located at the Charlie Turner Trailhead at the Griffith Observatory;
- 2. Accept, with gratitude, a perpetual donation to the Department of \$2,700 to be made by the George Harrison Estate in the month of July of subsequent fiscal years to provide continued funding for maintenance of the George Harrison Memorial Monument; and,
- 3. Direct staff to deposit all such funds to the Griffith Park Maintenance Account W02/302-89-809M-DC to reimburse the Department for expenditures made to maintain the George Harrison Memorial Monument.

SUMMARY:

On May 21, 2003, the City accepted a donation of a monument to Mr. George Harrison (approved in Board Report No. 03-172). The monument was erected at the Charlie Turner Trailhead, which is at the top of West Observatory Road at the base of Mount Hollywood. At that time, funding had not been identified to maintain the monument. In July 2006, the George Harrison Estate contacted the Department to express its desire to make a donation in the amount of \$5,065 to improve the existing memorial monument and to facilitate its maintenance for one year. In addition, the Estate has agreed to continue to support the maintenance of the memorial

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with a perpetual donation of \$2,700 to be provided to the Department of Recreation and Parks in July of each subsequent fiscal year. Acknowledgement of this donation should be sent to the George Harrison Estate, care of Paula Greenfield, the Celebrity Source, 8033 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90046.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

This donation will offset any current costs which may have been expended maintaining the monument as well as future costs in subsequent years.

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