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VIA USPS AND EMAIL

The Honorable James N. Bianco
Los Angeles County Superior Court
Hollywood Courthouse, Dept. 230
5925 Hollywood Boulevard
Hollywood, California 90028

Dear Judge Bianco:

On behalf of the residents of Los Angeles County's 5th Supervisorial District and specifically the communities of Littlerock and Sun Village, I want to express my strong opposition to consideration for the placement of Calvin Grassmier, a sexually violent predator, at a residence located at 10320 East Ave. Q-10.

Placing Mr. Grassmier at the house on East Avenue Q-10 further traumatizes this already marginalized community.

Littlerock and Sun Village are rural, historically agricultural communities. Many residents moved there because of lower housing costs, making for a diverse population. Most government and social services are located miles away. The communities include Caucasian, African Americans, Asian-Americans, Native Americans and Latinos, including many recent immigrants. Sun Village, in fact, was originally settled more than 70 years ago by African Americans who were not allowed to purchase property in other communities.

While I understand the court has rendered a decision to conditionally release Mr. Grassmier, and the next step in his legal proceedings is to identify suitable placement, there are several unique reasons why the community is completely inappropriate.

First, as mentioned, these are communities that include historically disenfranchised and politically marginalized residents. Placing Mr. Grassmier in the heart of these communities will only tend to damage trust in government.

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Second, Mr. Grassmier's proposed residence is near several schools, which would put the safety of thousands of children at risk. For example, the following are located less than four miles from the residence:

- Littlerock High School (0.25 mile away).
- Keppel Academy (3.3 miles away)
- Daisy Gibson Elementary School (0.9 miles away)
- Antelope Elementary School (1.8 miles away)

There is no nexus between Mr. Grassmier and the Littlerock community. He will be living alone, without friends, family, or other support systems, leaving him completely isolated and without a support system.

I thank the court for your time and thoughtfulness in this matter. I urge you to fully consider the unique conditions of the Littlerock and Sun Village communities and reject the proposed residence location in the interest of the successful treatment of Mr. Grassmier and the health and safety of the community

Sincerely,



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