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# Little Bangladesh

Third Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020

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Re: Naming of Community, 'Little Bangladesh', File # 08-2885

The Chair of the City Council, Honorable Eric Garcetti and the Council Members.

Good Morning.

Application for Naming of the Community, "Little Bangladesh" was filed on September 29, 2008 with over 500 validated signatures as required by the rules formulated by this great Chamber in 2007. Wilshire Center Koreatown Neighborhood Council had supported the naming, among others, and practically there is no single individual/group that is against this Naming.

Leaders and members of the Latino, Korean and Bangladeshi communities worked hard in the past years under the capable leadership of Council Member Honorable Tom LaBonge and the process was superbly coordinated by his Deputy District Director Nikki Azahari in resolving differences among communities within 4<sup>th</sup> district. Today, every conflicting ethnic group enjoys enduring peace and friendship with the others. Together, we clean the streets, remove graffiti, plant trees, joyfully participate in the celebrations of other communities, stage multi-cultural events, community leaders play fun games & sports with disables, take training as Ambassador for Emergency Preparedness, walk with hard-working Police to create a beautiful environment to live that would be blight-less and crime-free.

The recommended area of designation is less than one hundredth of what our community had originally asked for the naming of Little Bangladesh. And, we accepted such reduction gracefully. Around this area is the highest concentration of our community members. Naturally, cultural, religious, social, economic and academic activities of our community occur here.


I sincerely hope this great chamber of wisdom will visualize the sensitivity and emotional attachment of about 50,000 Bangladeshi-Americans with this naming as had already been witnessed by Honorable Council-Members Tom LaBonge and Paul Krekorian.

If the motion is approved, 50,000 Bangladeshi-Americans in Los Angeles will have permanent settlement in their new HOME and about half a million others who live in all over the USA and 150 million Bangladeshis back in South Asia will have a new purpose to visit this magnificent city of Los Angeles.

I respectfully submit to the Honorable President and the L.A. City Council that the motion may please be approved.

Thank you very kindly.

Sincerely,



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