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## **PUBLIC COMMENT - Council File #14-0588**

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Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 5:10 PM

To: Adam.Lid@lacity.org

Dear Chairman O'Farrell and honorable committee members,

Public Comment-Council File # 14-0588  
FOR the appeal

I would like to speak against the proposal to reduce the area of the Crystal Springs Picnic area in favor of ball fields.

When Griffith donated the land to the city, he told the council, "It must be made a place of rest and relaxation for the masses, a resort for the rank and file, for the plain people." Surely, that is the present function of the Crystal Springs Picnic area. One can see that by visiting any weekend.

Constructing ball fields on the site would cannibalize the picnic area and disrespect the donor's wishes.

Another negative impact would be the loss of old growth trees and wildlife habitat. Urban sprawl threatens native animals all over the city. Griffith Park should remain as undeveloped as it is to provide food, shelter, and a place for animals to rear their young.

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Sincerely,  
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