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Re: Notice of Intent to Commence CEQA Action and Proceeding; Tree Removal Permit (SR Number 1-95600781) Issued for 2239 Laurel Canyon Boulevard; Council File # 17-0415): Log Reference 1-95600781

Dear City of Los Angeles:

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