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April 21, 2017

The Honorable Paul Krekorian, Chair
City Council Budget and Finance Committee
c/o Richard Williams, Office of the City Clerk
Room 395, City Hall
Los Angeles, CA 90012

MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

Dear Councilmember Krekorian:

The Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) provides social, cultural and education services unmatched by any other public institution in the City.

The Mayor's proposed FY 2017-18 budget provides the resources necessary to enhance and expand these services to improve the lives all Angelenos. LAPL is proud of its accomplishments in the citizenship and immigrant integration, the student success library card program, the mobile outreach program, helping adults receive high school diplomas through the Career Online High School program and providing summer lunches to children in low-income communities.

The library's other major initiatives assist veterans, provide online courses to build L.A.'s workforce, partner with other agencies to assist the homeless, and take a leadership role in increasing sustainability. The proposed budget builds on the proud tradition of meeting the needs of our city's large and diverse population, engaging Angelenos in life-long learning, and providing resources and assistance to help them succeed in the 21st Century.

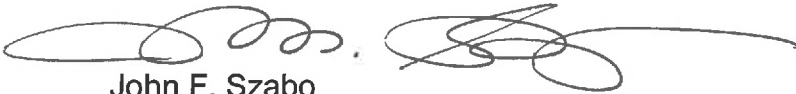
Under the provisions of Measure L, property values in the city have provided the Library with an increase of more than \$9.8 million for Fiscal Year 2017-18. Because of an increase of more than \$7 million for related costs when the City implemented CAP 39, additional funding for a number of collections, services and programs were removed from the Library's proposed budget.

With the support and assistance of the Mayor and City Council and the Board of Library Commissioners, the Library has successfully kept the promises made to the people of the City of Los Angeles when the voters passed Measure L in 2011. These promises includes fully restoring service hours at all libraries and fully reimbursing the City for all related costs. Forty percent of the Library's budget is allocated to reimburse the General Fund for related costs.

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If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact me or the Library's Assistant General Manager, Kris Morita, at (213) 228-7515.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John F. Szabo', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John F. Szabo
City Librarian

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