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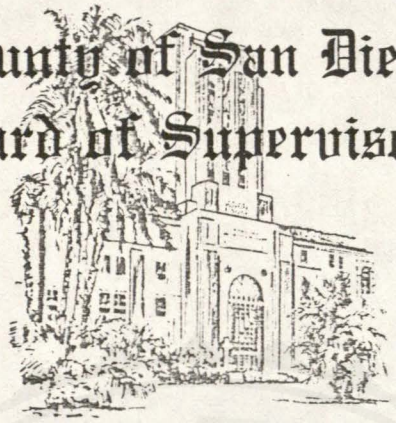

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LEON L. WILLIAMS
SUPERVISOR
FOURTH DISTRICT

April 21, 1992

Mr. Tom Dresner
5015 La Dorna Street
San Diego, CA 92115

Dear Mr. Dresner:

Thank you for your phone call regarding the proposed trolley alignments from Mission Valley eastward to La Mesa.

I appreciate the concerns you have over the work that has been accomplished by the Committee for Removal of Architectural Barriers over the last ten years, and I understand you do not want the benefits of that work erased. Those concerns will be brought to the attention of the MTDB staff.

Also, your concerns are understandable with regard to a "priveledged loop" for the college area while by-passing neighborhoods like Kensington, Normal Heights and University Heights. Unfortunately, the trolley would have to backtrack a substantial distance from San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium in order to connect with either Normal Heights or University Heights. MTDB has a policy which will not allow this type of "out of direction" routing for the trolley.

Although reaching Kensington would not necessitate any backtracking, the trolley simply does not have the mechanical ability to climb to the top of the mesa in the short distance from the stadium to the Kensington area. In fact, the trolley will need to begin its ascent just before Mission Gorge Road in order to reach the top of the mesa at San Diego State University.

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On a more positive note, the Normal Heights, University Heights and Kensington areas all have bus route service with a very active ridership. Many of those routes will provide feeder service down to the trolley once the Mission Valley line opens.

I am very glad you took the time to call my office and express your point of view to me. If my staff or I can be of any help to you in the future, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Leon L. Williams

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Supervisor, Fourth District

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