



December 8, 2009

Dr. Geraldine Knatz  
Executive Director  
The Port of Los Angeles  
425 S. Palos Verdes St.  
San Pedro, CA 90731

Dear Dr. Knatz:

The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors upon the recommendation of its Economic Policy and Waterfront Committees, supports the Port of Los Angeles's exploration to bring the Battleship USS Iowa to the Los Angeles Harbor.

We feel that the opportunity to bring this historic vessel to the Los Angeles Harbor would not only significantly add to the rich maritime and Naval history of this area, but would add value to the community in terms of educational opportunities for our students, and economic opportunities through the increase of tourism to the area.

Thank you for considering this unique opportunity to bring the world's last available battleship to the community of San Pedro.

Sincerely,

Jayme Wilson  
Chairman, Board of Directors

Camilla Townsend  
President/CEO

