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Eli Barajas
President
Victory Resources
4160 Eagle Rock Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90065

Re: Victory Resources' Annual Hood Olympics Event

Dear Mr. Barajas,

I am pleased to offer this letter of support for Victory Resources in continuing the Annual Hood Olympics Event. Since its inception in Summer 2022, the event has continued to raise critical awareness on human trafficking and violence prevention through activities and games that promote friendly competition and has served over 1,000 community members yearly.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) understands that Victory Resources is a 501(c) non-profit organization based out of Glassell Park, founded in 2009, serving the Northeast Los Angeles community for over a decade. Your organization has provided unwavering support and commitment, to help families heal from the devastating impacts of drug abuse, sexual abuse, incarceration, and gang involvement.

We commend your organization's commitment to raising-up youth as constructive leaders of their community, fostering their personal development, providing them and their families with diverse prevention and intervention classes, group counseling, and youth programs.

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Public Health's mission is to protect health, prevent disease, and promote the health and well-being of all persons in Los Angeles County. The Regional Health Office for Metropolitan Los Angeles, Service Planning Area (SPA) 4, engages with community partners to support programs that promote healthy, active, and safe environments throughout the region to impact health and wellness.

To support the goals of the event, Public Health will continue to participate in the planning of future events, sharing of public health data to provide background and context to issues in the area, assisting Victory Resources in developing strategies and activities to address community capacity to prevent violence in all forms, and enhance public health and safety.

We look forward to continuing this partnership in providing inner city youth and their families a safe environment.

Sincerely,



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