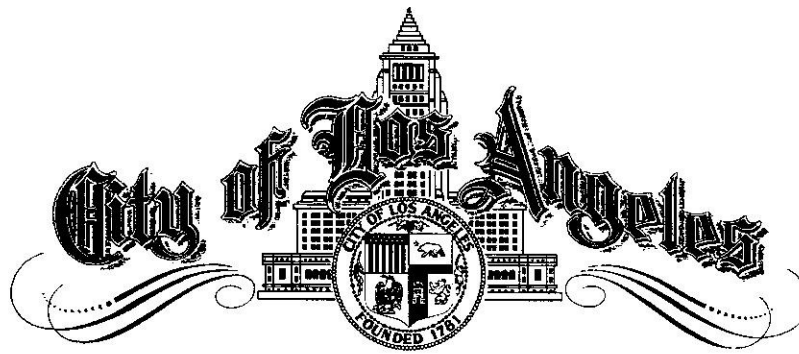


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Robert Garcia
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Dear Robert,

On behalf of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Los Angeles River, I would like to congratulate you on being selected to receive the "LA River Community Group Advocate" Award from the City of Los Angeles. On April 18, 2005, our Committee approved the 2005 Los Angeles River Awards Final Nominations of this year's recipients. It is with great pleasure that I congratulate you for this highly regarded honor. This tells me that many people in the City of Los Angeles regard your Los Angeles River work with admiration, respect, and gratitude.

I invite you to join me and my fellow Ad Hoc River Committee Members on Friday, May 13th to recognize your efforts. This year, which marks our second annual LA River Awards, the City and various agencies have partnered to organize a two-month long "The Future is Now" campaign to celebrate and highlight the river and watershed achievements of many organizations, projects, individuals, and employees.

The LA River Day Celebration starts at 9:00 a.m. with a reception at the Bradley Towers, 27th floor in City Hall. At 9:30 am, you will be recognized by the Board of Public Works at the start of their Board meeting in Room 350. At 10:00 a.m., you will be escorted to the Council Chambers where the Ad Hoc Committee Members will introduce you to Council and provide you with a tribute City Resolution for your LA River work. At the end of the tribute, pictures will be taken and sent to you at a later date.

Of course, we also invite your family, supervisors, and co-workers to the reception, Board of Public Works meeting, and the Council Chambers to help celebrate this deserved recognition.

Please use the enclosed RSVP list to tell us who will be attending so that complimentary parking can be arranged. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lupe Vela or Wendy Johnson at 213-473-8230.

Sincerely,


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