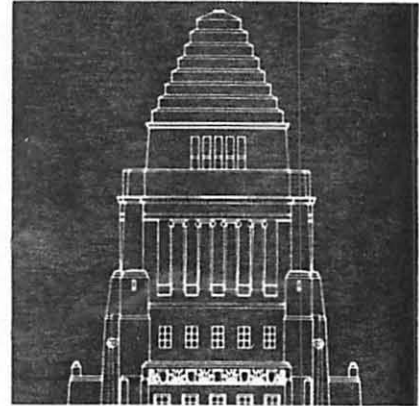


Councilman Michael Woo

City of Los Angeles
13th District



October 22, 1990

Delegates to Annual Conference
League of California Cities
Anaheim, California

Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to share with you the Final Report of the Los Angeles City Task Force on Family Diversity, entitled "Strengthening Families: A Model for Community Action." This report suggests 110 ways in which a city, such as Los Angeles, could improve the quality of life for its families.

Families in your community experience many of the same problems and have many of the same needs as families do everywhere: access to child care, affordable housing, the high costs of insurance, family violence and abuse, education of youth in an increasingly multicultural society, teen pregnancy, gangs, and conflicts between family and work responsibilities, to name a few. The information compiled in this report can be helpful to you in addressing family policy issues which surface in your community.

Several other municipalities are addressing family issues in a systematic and formal manner. For example, the final report of the Mayor's Task Force on Family Policy was released in San Francisco a few months ago. Also, the City Council of Long Beach established a Family Diversity Project and that city's Human Relations Commission will release its report to the council next January.

I have noted that the League is considering a resolution on domestic partnerships at this conference. If adopted, the League's staff would collect information from cities that have adopted domestic partnership policies and would make such information available to other cities interested in this topic. It may interest you to know that the Los Angeles City Council adopted a domestic partnership recommendation made by my Family Diversity Task Force. The city has offered to extend family sick leave and bereavement leave to city employees who live with a domestic partner.

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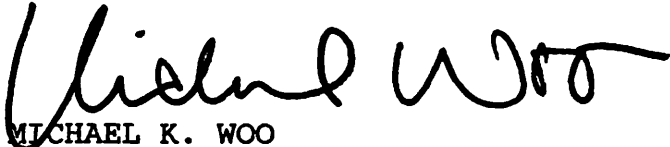
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Finally, I would refer you to Spectrum Institute for further information about this report. Spectrum is a nonprofit corporation that does research and provides consulting services to local government officials on family diversity issues. Inside this report you will find a brochure about Spectrum Institute and its Family Diversity Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Woo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MICHAEL K. WOO
Councilman

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