

November 5, 2013

Robert Katherman
President, Board of Directors
Water Replenishment District of Southern California
4040 Paramount Boulevard
Lakewood, CA 90712

RE: Support for the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD) Groundwater Reliability Improvement Program (GRIP)

Dear President Katherman,

As the Chairman of The Latin Business Association, I am writing to you to express our support for the Water Replenishment District of Southern California's (WRD) Groundwater Reliability Improvement Program (GRIP). GRIP will conserve water resources, save money, and create a more reliable water source for all residents in the region.

The Latin Business Association stands by GRIP goals and initiatives. GRIP will help WRD achieve 100% independence from costly imported water from the drought-stricken Colorado River and the environmentally-sensitive Bay Delta. This program is vital in replenishing the area's groundwater reservoirs with local resources.

WRD has a history of successfully using recycled water to replenish the region's groundwater for more than 50 years. GRIP is part of this long standing commitment to improve the region's groundwater resources through sustainable and cost-effective means.

The Latin Business Association entrusts WRD's commitment to conserve water by reducing the demand for imported water. We support WRD and the initiatives set forth by GRIP. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Ruben Guerra
Chairman & CEO
Latin Business Association