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Mr. Mitchell Englander
Los Angeles City Councilman, District 12
200 North Spring Street, Room 405
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Councilman Englander:

The Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC) is grateful for your work during the Aliso Canyon gas well failure, and your continued support to our community as we deal with its aftermath. You were the one who secured the cleaning of the oily residue contamination at the Holleigh Bernson Memorial Park, and you paved the way for Argo Scientific to install their air monitoring equipment in Porter Ranch, which continues to be the only source of air quality information trusted by the community.

Two weeks ago, you also issued a statement noting that the Aliso Canyon facility should not be re-opened as it is clearly impossible to keep it from leaking. The PRNC very much thanks you for taking this position, and we urge you to consider championing the passage of a resolution by City Council calling for the expedited and responsible closure of the Aliso Canyon gas storage facility.

We are aware of the concerns that a number of parties have about the impact of this action on gas and electricity supplies in Southern California. That is why we believe that this action must be taken responsibly such that these concerns are alleviated. However, we firmly believe that, if the State and the Gas Company set this as a goal, it is very attainable.

We hope that you will consider our request, and we look forward to continuing to work with you on this matter.

Respectfully,
Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Issam Najm".

Issam Najm, Ph.D., P.E.
President