

City of Irvine, One Civic Center Plaza, P.O. Box 19575, Irvine, California 92623-9575

March 24, 2021

The Honorable Lou Correa Rancho Santiago Community College Building 2323 N. Broadway, Suite 319 Santa Ana, CA 92706

Re: Request for assistance in relocating and funding the Flying Leathernecks

Museum from Marine Corps Air Station Miramar to the Orange County Great

Park

Dear Representative Correa:

On March 23, 2021, the Irvine City Council, acting in its capacity as the Orange County Great Park Board of Directors, unanimously voted to direct staff to present a plan to relocate the Flying Leathernecks Museum to the Orange County Great Park, at its April 27, 2021, meeting.

We humbly request your assistance in facilitating this process, including delaying the relocation of the airframes and artifacts from Miramar, delaying the impending closure of the Flying Leathernecks museum and identifying funding that might assist with establishment and ongoing operational costs.

City staff is already engaging with museum staff to understand the space and operating needs of the museum and assessing possible relocation sites at the Orange County Great Park.

The Irvine City Council collectively thanks you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Farrah Khan

Mayor and Chair, Orange County

**Great Park Board** 

Anthony Kuo

Councilmember and Vice-chair, Orange County Great Park Board

cc: Tammy Kim, City Councilmember

Mike Carroll, City Councilmember Larry Agran, City Councilmember

Marianna Marysheva, Interim City Manager