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Dear Fire Chief Douglas Barry,

At the Sylmar Neighborhood Council April monthly Board of Directors meeting, we approved a letter for the record to address our opposition of the removal of RA891 unit, a vitally needed paramedic unit for a fully staffed station. Our station 91 is our one and only source of emergency on site protection. The March 10, 2008 removal of RA891 compromises the safety and lives of our community.

Fire Station 91 was built in 1956 when the community of Sylmar consisted of mostly agriculture. Our community currently is estimated by 2006 census data at a population of 77,366 and the station built in 1956 is still our one and only source of emergency protection covering over 12.84 square miles.

Compared to neighboring cities Burbank at 8.4 square miles has 6 fire stations, while Santa Monica a beach community at 8.3 square miles has 4 fire stations. We request our fair share of our city services.

Fire Station 91 Captains and staff should be commended for their services operating under such tensile circumstances. Our communities Fire Fighters deserve a medal of valor for entering a densely populated and ever growing community with minimum staff.

Your immediate attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Regards,

Quyen Vo-Ramirez
President
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