Fellow SAB board members,

I urge your support of the interim resolution regarding the Stock Island landfill, a.k.a. Mount Trashmore. I will be out of town.

As you know, Mr. Ed Russo is casting aspersions on the city's data collection and protection of public health. Twice last month, I asked Ed to provide a list of any other landfills that have been deemed in compliance with EPA standards and then we later found to be dangerous to public health. The first time I asked, I received nine emails in reply, none of which actually answered the question. I asked again on July 29. I have not received an answer, although again I have received multiple other emails.

Regarding some of the criticisms of the testing protocols, please refer to the following items in the Certification of Completion of and Long-Term Care Report (May 2016).

Table 1 in Exhibit 4 presents a summary of trace metals (Cadmium, Chromium, Lead, Mercury, and Zinc) detected in the groundwater samples over the monitoring period. During the past five years, there were no exceedances for any of the trace metals for the G3 GCTL standards. Pg. 147

3.5 Volatile Organic Compounds: Groundwater

In July 2014, the groundwater parameters to be tested were reduced for the Stock Island Landfill to not include VOCs (Exhibit 2). Before the reduction in parameters, CH2M (2012) analyzed the groundwater data and found seven VOCs have been detected in groundwater from at least one monitoring well: 1, 4-Dichlorobenzene, carbon disulfide, chloromethane, dichlorodifluoromethane, methylene chloride, Methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) and toluene.

None of the VOCs were detected at concentrations above the respective GCTLs, and several were flagged by the laboratory. Methylene chloride was the most frequently detected VOC, but all of the detections were flagged as between the MDL and PQL or present in the associated blank. Methylene Chloride is used as an extraction solvent in organic chemistry laboratories and is a common laboratory contaminant pg. 148

Please stay the course; approve this resolution; and let's move on to finding an appropriate and beneficial public use for the space. Further testings will be part and parcel of any reclamation project. I look forward to considering ideas such as native plantings to create habitat for vulnerable bird and butterfly species; a solar or wind farm; an art park; active or passive recreational space; and others.

Sincerely Monica Haskell