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Honorable City Council
City of San Diego
Civic Center
San Diego, California

Attention: Mr. Frank E. Curran, Vice Mayor

Re: "STAR OF INDIA"

Gentlemen:

The Executive Committee of the drive to restore the "STAR OF INDIA" has authorized the undersigned as Chairman to request of the City of San Diego that it make a contribution to the work of restoration and that the contribution be included in the budget upon which the Council is now working.

We have had our various experts, consisting of Naval architects, marine surveyors, shipyard superintendents, marine engineers, et cetera, work on the estimated cost of restoration and we have many figures as to the estimated cost in connection with numerous projects within the general over-all project of restoration of the ship. Naturally these cost estimates vary because depending on the material used or the method employed the cost of a particular item can vary considerably.

Generally speaking, I feel from the figures assembled that \$ 200,000.00 is a reasonable round figure amount which would enable us to do an outstanding job and would also enable us to secure many interesting and valuable items for our maritime museum which will be located both on the ship and on shore. I estimate that contributions of money and materials to date probably aggregate \$ 50,000.00 and, therefore, I believe \$ 150,000.00 additional will enable us to restore this ship in a manner which would make us all proud of the job when completed.

We know that we will have contributions from various firms of materials which will save their actual purchase, however, in view of the many drives which are constantly occurring our great problem will be to raise sufficient cash to purchase needed materials which will not be contributed and also for other necessary expenditures.

