MERKLEY UNDERTAKING COMPANY

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3655 FIFTH AVENUE SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

## April 29, 1940

City Clerk City of San Diego San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sirs:

For Mayor and Council

While passing through the park a short time ago, I noticed that the Ford Building seemed as if it was unmasked and unknown. Even the word Ford on the concrete dome had been plastered in.

Perhaps we will be expecting a similar donation for our 1942 Exposition. With that in mind and with the cooperation of the City Manager, I'll be glad to donate a suitable bronze tablet prociding it bears this simple inscription "The Citizens of San Diego appreciate the gift of this building by Henry and Edsel Ford 1935".

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Very truly yours, H. W. Merkley

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## RESOLUTION NO. 71570

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

The offer of Mr. H. W. Merkley, 3655 Fifth Avenue, to donate a bronze tablet to be placed on the Ford Building in Balboa Park, bearing the inscription "The Citizens of San Diego appreciate the gift of this building by Henry and Edsel Ford 1935" be and it is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council thanks Mr. Merkley for his kind offer to provide a marker for the Ford Building erected for the California Pacific International Exposition.

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