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Mr. Andrew Stephens, 4th Floor
CALS Early College High School
400 Wilshire Blvd
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Dear Mr. Stephens:

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your recent accomplishments with Earth Day Network’s National Civic Education Project!

Your decision to focus your 2007 Civic Education Project on indoor air quality in schools has engaged your students in an environmental health concern that certainly deserves attention. Your research and letter-writing initiatives are commendable and will help to spread awareness about this most important issue. Caring for our community and our planet’s health is among my top priorities as Mayor of the City of Los Angeles. As you know, I recently unveiled a “Green LA” Action Plan with the Los Angeles City Council to address environmental pollution and climate change.

Because of your dedication, the young people you teach are becoming civically engaged and are more likely to participate in decisions affecting our community when they become adults. On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, I want to sincerely thank you for teaching your students the true meaning of citizenship and environmental stewardship.

Sincerely,

Antonio R. Villaraigosa
Mayor

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