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Description

This collection contains material pertaining to the life, career, and activities of Henri Temianka, violin virtuoso, conductor, music teacher, and author. Materials include correspondence, concert programs and flyers, music scores, photographs, and books.

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Dear Henri:

I was delighted with your letter and L.A. Times reprint regarding street names. I have always regarded you as a musical virtuoso. I did not know that you also wield a mighty pen.

I am with you 100% on the idea of celebrating distinguished residents of Los Angeles by naming streets for them. I remember vividly how virtually every street in Jerusalem bears the name of an historic figure--from ancient prophets to Zionist leaders to modern men and women of the arts.

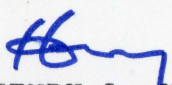
I must note here that we are up against the formidable opposition of those who have a stake in the status quo. Everyone from the Post Office to the Dept. of Water and Power to City Hall to businesses that would have to change signs and stationery will resist the changing of street names. You probably remember what political clout it took to change the name of Santa Barbara Blvd. to Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

The only people who can generate some motion on your intriguing idea are the Mayor and members of the City Council. Perhaps you ought to contact council members and the Mayor's office.

I believe the enclosed article, which goes into some detail of how streets are named in L.A., will prove of great interest to you. Perhaps you and Ms. Arnold should get together. Certainly we can do better than having more than 100 streets with numbers for names.

I hope you had a pleasant summer. It was good hearing from you again. My best wishes to you and your family for a happy and healthy New Year.

Warmest personal regards,


HENRY A. WAXMAN
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