

wilderness area will have to those who will live here a hundred years from now and to bequeath to them the excellence that the additions to the area will give it.

Sincerely,

BRUCE H. RUSSELL.

P.S. Please include this letter in the official record of the hearings.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., *February 20, 1968.*

DEAR SIRs: May I go on record as being highly in favor of the plan worked out by the Forest Service to include the San Gabriel Wilderness area in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

Thank you.

ARTHUR J. ROTH.

CHICAGO, ILL., *February 20, 1968.*

Hon. Senator FRANK CHURCH,
*Senate Committee on Internal and Insular Affairs, Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

HON. SENATOR CHURCH: I am writing to register my support of the proposal by Sen. Kuchel to establish a San Gabriel Wilderness (S. 2531).

Although I am from another part of the country, I feel very strongly that we must set aside and preserve as much of our open lands as possible for the benefit and use not only of our present generation, but also for those who will follow us in the future.

I favor the inclusion of the entire 33,647 acre wilderness as a unit of the National Wilderness Preservation System.

Very sincerely,

IRVING L. ROSEN.

SOUTH PASADENA, CALIF., *February 17, 1968.*

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN: As one who has spent many happy hours hiking, birding, and botanizing in the San Gabriel Mountains, I hope very much that the bills that have been introduced in Congress to authorize the placement of the San Gabriel Wilderness in the National Wilderness Preservation System will be passed.

Sincerely yours,

CATHERINE ROSE.

GREENBRAE, CALIF., *February 16, 1968.*

Senator FRANK CHURCH,
*Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: This is to state my support for Bill S. 2531, introduced by Senator T. H. Kuchel, designating the San Gabriel Wilderness as an addition to the National Wilderness Preservation System.

This proposal would bring one of the most unusual of the National Forest Primitive areas under protection of the System. It's close proximity to a large metropolitan area, Los Angeles, makes it even more dear.

As you know, there is unanimous support for this measure among citizen conservation groups. I sincerely hope we will be heard.

Yours truly,

ANN ROCCHI.

GREENBRAE, CALIF., *February 16, 1968.*

Senator FRANK CHURCH,
*Chairman, Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands, Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: I strongly disagree with the exclusion of Square Lake-Long Lake area and Marion Lake area from the Mt. Jefferson Wilderness proposal, Bill 2751.

As you know the existing wilderness areas in the Oregon Cascades protect only about 290,000 acres. Even with the Mt. Jefferson addition this is a very small portion of the beautiful Cascade Crest.