in the metropolitan area. I am personally acquainted with the proposed area and have hiked through it many times with my family and with groups.

This area should be preserved as a wilderness for future generations, as well as our own.

Sincerely yours,

MARVIN BRAUDE, Councilman, 11th District.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA,
THE AMERICAN LEGION,
San Francisco, February 5, 1968.

The Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, U.S. Senator,

Senate Interior Committee, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR JACKSON: Senate Bill #2531, pertaining to the San Gabriel Wilderness Area in the Angeles National Forest, State of California, comes before your Committee on 19 February 1968.

We of the Agriculture & Conservation Commission of the American Legion, Department of California, are vitally interested, and recognize the urgent need for this wilderness area in southern California.

Therefore, we hope that you and your Committee will give a favorable recommendation on this Senate bill.

Sincerely yours,

AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION, HAL BARNES, Chairman.

FEBRUARY 15, 1968.

Hon. Senator Frank Church, Chairman, Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands, Washington, D.C.

MY DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: I have just read a letter from the Wilderness Society concerning the bill introduced by Senator Kuchel (S. 2531) designating the San Gabriel Wilderness as an addition to the National Preservation system and to be administered by the Forest Service under the Wilderness Law of 1964.

I am always concerned and interested about improving our Wilderness areas. I wish to commend our Senators and Congressmen for their proposals to protect our watershed and its beauty for future years.

Respectfully,

GLADYS D. BOYNTON.

Sublette County Wildlife Federation, Pinedale, Wyo., February 16, 1968.

Senator Flank Church, Senate Interior Subcommittee, U.S. Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: The Sublette County Wildlife Federation of Pinedale, Wyoming is in favor of the Washikee Wilderness Area, with the boundaries as were outlined by the Sierra Club and the Wyo. Wildlife Federation. We feel the timber in the upper, East and West Dunor and Bear Basin is extremely valuable for Elk Habitat. Without it Wyoming would loose many Elk and this a valuable resource.

We ask your help in getting this passed.

Thank you very much.

FREDERICK J. BOYCE, Secretary.

Boise, Idaho, February 16, 1968.

Hon. Frank Church, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR FRANK: It looks from here like in the Washaki primitive area reclassification on Washington hearing on Monday, February 19, 1968 that the 29,000 acres of Area D on Bear Creek and the East and West forks of Dunoir River should be included in wilderness classification in addition to that recommended by the Forest Service.