



**Fire Department**

**Michael D. Moore**  
**Fire Chief**

*City of Arts & Innovation*

January 23, 2017

Adolfo Cruz, Director  
Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Dear Adolfo:

On December 8, 2016 at 12:20 am, the City of Riverside Fire Department responded to a structure fire at Mt. Rubidoux Manor, a 16-story senior citizen high-rise apartment complex.

This fire required evacuations of all of the residents. Needing a place for them to stay that was warm and safe, the Dale Center was opened. Your staff responded quickly and were extremely helpful and professional during the evacuation.

This was a very large incident with great potential to be very tragic and with great loss of life. I'm happy to say that with the support of our partner departments, we were able to evacuate a total of 185 apartments and over 200 resident; and keep the fire contained to the apartment and part of the 10<sup>th</sup> floor with a fire loss estimated at \$1,000,000 and a save of \$16,000,000.

Your staff took great care of the residents, and worked well with law enforcement, AMR, our fire personnel and all the other support services that were there. The residents were well taken care of them until we were able to let them go home. Please share my appreciation with your staff. I am very thankful of our partnership and your support; you should be proud of the work they did.

Sincerely,

Michael Moore  
Fire Chief

