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June 24, 1981

Lorraine Magana City Clerk

Dear Lorraine:

Would you please place the attached correspondence from the Fruitridge Senior Services, Inc. on the City Council agenda for a formal referral to the City Manager's Office.

Thank you for your assistance.

Cordially,

Lloyd G Connelly City Councilman District 6

LGC/wl

cc: Jack Oliver

Attachment

## FRUITRIDGE SENIOR SERVICES, INC.

4445 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95820 (916) 457-2830 (Emergency or Night 391-6913)

Jack Oliver Director

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Mr. Phil Isenberg, Mayor City Hall-915 I Street Sacramento, Ca. 95814 APPROVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
Referred to
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OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

Dear Mr. Mayor,

My name is Jack Oliver and I represent some 350 seniors in the South Sacramento area who receive services from the Fruitridge Senior Services Inc. Our organization solicits, packages, transports and delivers a variety of food and other items to our members in this part of Sacramento. We move 3-4 tons of food per month that has been donated by Campbell Soup, Wonder Bread, Winchell's, Safeway, Crystal Creamery, Nabisco, to mention a few of our benefactors, and by meat packers, fish companies, farmers and various other merchants in Sacramento and surrounding areas.

We have been in operation for a number of years, working out of our garages and almost two years ago secured temporary space at 4445 Fruitridge Road, from where our operation reaches out to the community.

For sometime now, the space we have has been too small, we have simply outgrown it, because of our volume we now handle. We have contacted Sacramento County, our Supervisor, Illa Collin, and our City Councilman, Lloyd Connelly, not to mention the local Board of Realtors, and private citizens, in our efforts to find larger quarters/ and/or funds with which to pay for the space we need (2,000 square feet). While everyone has been helpful in making recommendations (abandoned schools, buildings for rent in the area, churches, etc.)

we have not been able to locate a place that would accept us (ie: Sierra School, Donner School, Baptist Church) or have not been able to pay the rent asked by building owners. While we have offered a "tax exemptions" to building owners, none are interested---they tell us they have "plenty to write off" these days. Our pleafor a donated house (in the newspaper) has also met with no success.

For this reason---and if we are to continue this vital service to low-income seniors, we MUST find a way to rent or lease a building where we can operate. While we are aware of the tight budget constraints and the fact that the City Council has not decided what the allocation will be for community organizations, we are asking the City Council consider our request for \$4,800 annually with which to lease an adequate building and pay utilities. As City Councilman Connelly will tell you, he has exhausted himself trying to help us locate a city-owned, county-owned or privately owned facility we could use. We are now at the mercy of the property owners if in fact this program is to continue. Currently, we deliver to some 350 residences, this includes 92 "shut-ins", people who live in apartments, mobile homes and houses throughout this area. Those who can donate \$1-\$2 per month, this helps with gasoline for volunteers to make deliveries, telephone and consumable supplies. More than 50 VOLUNTEERS work in this program each week, we have no grants or funds that help us, as do many senior programs.

The service we provide also extends to food closets, churches, nursing homes, homes for children and to the truly needy of our community.

We are asking that funds be allocated to help us continue this service.

Thank You.

Jack Oliver, Chairman

Fruitridge Senior Services Inc.

cc: City Council



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LORRAINE MAGANA CITY CLERK

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## MEMORANDUM

TO:

CITY MANAGER WALTER J. SLIPE

FROM:

LORRAINE MAGANA, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF ITEM NO. 13, COUNCIL AGENDA OF JULY 7,1981

DATE:

JULY 7, 1981

Pursuant to Council action, the following matter was referred to you:

Jack Oliver, Fruitridge Senior Services, Inc., relative to request for City assistance.

LM:sj