MAIL SOLICITATION ALERT

NOTICE TO HOME OWNERS

Many home owners are receiving official-looking letters as though they are from the County or a mortgage lender urging them to request an “official” copy of their Grant Deed in order to prevent foreclosure, prove that they own their home, and to be in compliance. The catch: you have to pay as much as $200 for the copies.

THE FACTS

• You can obtain a copy of your Grant Deed directly from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. No third party assistance is needed.

• The County Registrar-Recorder mails the original Grant Deed document to the homeowner after it is recorded. Therefore, you should already have your original Grant Deed.

• If you have the original Grant Deed in your possession there is no need to purchase a copy. The original is a legally binding document that can be used for your business transactions.

The following are common reasons why you would need a copy of your Grant Deed:

- Lost or misplaced the original recorded Grant Deed;
- Selling or Refinancing the property
- If you need a legal description of your property

Our fee for a certified copy of a document is $6 for the first page and $3 for each additional page per document.

If you believe or suspect that fraudulent activity has occurred on your property:

• Call the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs at: (800) 973-3370. You can listen to recorded information on a variety of real estate topics 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Counseling staff is also available to answer your questions during normal business hours.

• Write the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs at: Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs Real Estate Fraud and Information Program 500 West Temple Street, Room B-96, Los Angeles, California 90012-2706

• Visit the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs online at http://dca.lacounty.gov/

HOW TO OBTAIN A COPY OF YOUR GRANT DEED

1. Visit, www.lavote.net (click the Recorder Operations tab, then the Real Estate Records tab), or

2. Make your request via Fax at (562) 864-1250, or

3. Call or visit any of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk offices below:

NORWALK
12400 Imperial Highway
Room 2207
Norwalk, CA 90650
Phone: (562) 462-2133

LAX AIRPORT
11701 South La Cienega Blvd, 6th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(310) 727-6142

VAN NUYS
14340 West Sylvan Street
Van Nuys, CA 91401
(818) 376-3777

PAYMENT OPTIONS

In-person request can be made by cash, check, money order or one of the following debit/credit cards: MasterCard, American Express or Discover Card.

Web or FAX request can be made by using one of the following credit cards: MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover Card.

Mail request can be made by check or money order payable to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.