



To: Mayor Teresa Jacobs

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Board of County Commissioners

From: Commissioner Pete Clarke, District 3

Date: January 31, 2014

Re: **Tinker Field**

It has been brought to my attention that Tinker Field is scheduled to be demolished, in order to make way, for the renovations of the Citrus Bowl. This venue has hosted a variety of iconic events, specifically Dr. Martin Luther King, in 1964. Since we are upon the eve of Black History Month, perhaps we should pause and reflect on how this moment can be preserved. In addition, I have received numerous inquiries, regarding our County's ability to retain this venue as a member of the National Register of Historic Places. Any consideration provided, given public interest in Tinker Field, would be deeply valued.

In advance, your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Cc: Ajit Lalchandani, County Administrator