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Dear Members of the Government Audit and Oversight committee,

The Ingleside Merchants Association offers its sincere gratitude to Supervisor Melgar, the Board of Supervisors' Government Audit and Oversight Committee and the Controller's Office for their pursuit of its audit of the Ocean Avenue Association. We truly believe in accountability and this audit will help lead to a better Ocean Avenue. Our primary goal has always been to increase the vitality and livelihood of our corridor and we see this as the first step in that direction.

With that said, it is of the utmost importance that we, as an organization, continue to advocate for ongoing resources and increased investments in our community. We continue to have one of the highest commercial vacancy rates in the city and are looking for more ways to reduce that. Creating a safe, walkable, and accessible neighborhood is critical to attracting more businesses, both big and small. We hope that Ocean Avenue will receive this much needed support from our city.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely, Miles Escobedo