

January 22, 2018

Monica Martinez Simmons Seattle City Clerk 600 4th Avenue, 3rd Floor Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Ms. Martinez Simmons,

I am returning Council Bill 119150. This legislation authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a development agreement and lease with the Seattle Art Museum for the renovation and occupancy of the Seattle Asian Art Museum in Volunteer Park.

Pursuant to SMC 4.16.070.A.1.a., and to provide strict compliance with the Executive Director of the Seattle Ethics and Election Commission's interpretation of the Ethics Code, but without forfeiting any of the Powers and Duties granted to me as Mayor by the Charter of the City of Seattle, I have been recused from participating in the Seattle Asian Art Museum expansion. Due to my recusal from this matter I will not be signing this Council Bill 119150.

By returning this legislation unsigned, I understand that it will become law.

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Sincerely,

Mayor of Seattle