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Dear Joe Centeno, Chair, and Supervisors:

The Botanic Garden is neither a museum nor an amusement park. It is a living, breathing entity from which we humans can learn a great deal -- about California plants and trees, and how we ourselves can relate to them as well as to each other.

The Garden is not a show piece for sculptures or skeletal structures. The well-known meadow is a "show piece" in and of itself with the sweep of wild flowers that leads the eye to the mountain and the sky.

It's bad enough that the meadow terrace project is still there, being "disguised" by plantings around those sawtoothed walls. They still stick out, invading the meadow proper -- and they are very noticeable -- as is that green grass lawn that has to be mowed.

Respectfully,

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