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Sir,

D.O.Lr.No. 95-13396/73 Dated 11-9-1975

Dear Raj Gopal,

I invite your kind attention to the latest Resolution passed by general body meeting held on 22nd July, 1975, It reads as follows:

"It is felt that some persons may have contributed towards the building of the new temple under the impression that this will be exclusively Lord Venkateswara Temple. If such persons feel that the concepts of the new temple as stated herein are unacceptable to them for their own reasons, the amount of their contributions towards the building of the new temple will be duly refunded if so desired."

In this connection I may draw your attention to the original proposal as delineated in the official plan dated 3-8-73 appended to it where it is very clear that the objective was to construct Lord Venkateswara's Temple on the same lines as Sri Venkateswara Temple in India on the Tirumalai hills. I quote the proposal below:

"The most sacred shrine of Balaji Lord Venkateswara is located in Thirupathi among seven beautiful greenery covered Thirumalai hills on the Eastern ghats in Andhra Pradesh, India. It is also the most popular and richest Temple in India. Our temple site in Monroeville resembles Thirumalai hills according to representatives from Andhra Pradesh Endowments Department and is well suited for establishing a Sri Venkateswara Temple for the Western Hemisphere. We have received designs and plans for the proposed Temple from the Engineering Cell of the Endowments Department, Andhra Pradesh".

It is therefore clear that the latest resolution is at great variance with the original objective of having an exclusive temples for Lord Venkateswara as in Tirumalai. It is not acceptable to us, and we regret no assistance can through flow from us.

Yours sincerely,

To
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The Hindu Temple Society of

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