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An Open Letter to the USC and UCLA Communities:

The historic rivalry between USC and UCLA is one of the greatest traditions in college football, with enthusiasm building long before the game, which this year will take place on November 23rd at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Although we wear different colors and root for opposing teams, USC and UCLA stand together in our desire that this weekend's game will be a safe, respectful and fun experience for all of our students and fans.

Out of respect for those directly impacted by the fires in Southern California over the last few weeks, both Trojan Pride and the Student Alumni Association Bruin Spirit Committee have agreed to forgo the traditional bonfire and firework displays at their pre-game spirit rallies. We applaud their leadership and concern for the community.

Fans from all over Los Angeles and beyond will be watching this Saturday. We are confident Trojans and Bruins alike will display the very best of the USC and UCLA spirit. We expect everyone to show sportsmanship and respect for others, for their universities, but most importantly for themselves.

This Saturday's game will be an important occasion to show fans everywhere what it means to be part of world-renowned research and athletic universities such as USC and UCLA. Regardless of the outcome on the field, we all win when as supporters, we display the best of our school spirit.

So have a fantastic time at the big game. Fight On, Trojans! Go Bruins!

Sincerely,

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