Dear TRACTIONARTS Friends and Family,

It is with great sadness that I must announce that this is the last TRACTIONARTS video. Due to the great success of the DTLA Arts District we have been gentrified out of existence.

We thought it appropriate to end our run with NASA's video of the sun. Like a beautiful sunset emanating from our window, or perhaps a thermonuclear explosion burning bright to the very end—either reading is fine.

It has been a wonderful curatorial run. Over nearly three years, we have shown forty-one videos, from four countries and two American Indian Reservations. We only wish we could have shown more.

Special thanks must go to Kim Abeles for curatorial input, for donating equipment, for turning on the projector when I couldn't, and for getting up in the middle of the night (most nights) to turn it off.

Also, thank you Juan Patiño, for taking care of everything when both Kim and I were out of town.

But more than anything, none of this would have been possible without the artists themselves. What a wonderful array of work is being produced by artists all over the world. And what an honor it has been to promote that work to an unsuspecting audience.

It was fun to see people stumble upon the videos as they walked down Traction Ave on their way to eat pie, or get sausages and beer in the Arts District. And it has always been a particular thrill to see people standing on the sidewalk outside our studio, mesmerized by the visuals and sound coming from our unassuming window.

Thank you all for your support over the years.

Sincerely, Ken Marchionno Director

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