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Hon. Janet Wolf, Chair
Board of Supervisors
Santa Barbara County
105 E Anapamu Street, 4th Floor
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Chair Wolf and Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Subject: Support for Rice Ranch Specific Plan

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- Permanent preservation of more than 65% of Rice Ranch in open space (more than 300 acres)
- Creation of 8 miles of trails, that will benefit area nature enthusiasts & the incorporation of a 5K cross country training loop *We love the trails & open spaces*
- New secondary access roads to further improve safety and response times
- Provision of a 5,000 square-foot club house for Rice Ranch residents, with recreational play courts and meeting facilities
- Maintain the 725 units as approved in 2003
- The payment of fees to meet the affordable housing obligation rather than building affordable units on site

We strongly support the payment of fees rather than having "affordable housing" on site!

In addition, the project has already provided many benefits that include:

- The 26 acre Orcutt Community Park and on-going maintenance
- The Oaks Neighborhood Park and on-going maintenance
- Water Supply & Drainage Facilities
- Open Space & Trails
- School Site

There are other viable options to locate the affordable housing nearby...

Shea Homes and the development team have shown their commitment to Rice Ranch residents, the Orcutt community and Santa Barbara County by delivering benefits as promised, and therefore I request that their applications should be approved as submitted.

Respectfully, *Joseph Allen Gruba*
~~*Karen L Gruba*~~ *Karen L Gruba*

*915 Sage Crest Dr.
Orcutt, CA 93455*

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Thank you
Charlotte Ritchie
5765 Oak Pass Lane
Orcutt, CA 93455

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Hon. Janet Holf, Chair
Board of Supervisors
Santa Barbara County
105 E Anapamu Street 4th Floor
Santa Barbara, Calif. 93101

Dear Chair Holf & S.B. County
Board of Supervisors.

It has been a long time
since I worked with you Janet
at Raytheon Co. I have been
~~been~~ living in Rice Ranch
for 7 years & I am writing
in support of the Rice
Ranch Specific Plan. The
plan provides Rice Ranch
residents many benefits,
which include preserving
65% of open space permanently,
wonderful hiking trails, and

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plans for a new ^{new} club house with meeting facilities)

I strongly support the payment of fees to meet the affordable housing obligation, rather than building multi-story affordable units on site.

As residents we are so proud of our neighborhood park + The Orcutt Community Park + our open space + trails.

Shen homes has shown their commitment to us + the community. I request that their application be approved as submitted

PATRICIA HEYBL
Patricia Heybl
5780 Oak Pass Lane
A.M. 93455

December 2, 2015

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Subject: Support for Rice Ranch Applications and the Payment of Fees for Affordable Homes

Dear Chair Wolf and Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

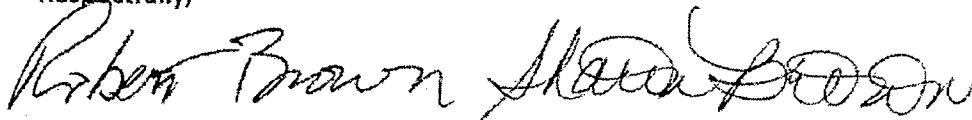
Rice Ranch residents have been fully briefed on the proposed minor changes to the Rice Ranch Specific Plan, thanks to the outreach efforts of Shea Homes. The community is very supportive of these changes, particularly the potential for a clubhouse, the extensive trails system, and the addition of the County's Inclusionary Housing Ordinance into the new Specific Plan.

The Inclusionary Housing provisions are very important, as they will require the development to make significant financial contributions that will help the County address affordable housing in an intelligent, well-planned manner, instead of building units on site.

As longtime homeowners that take pride in their community, I know that Shea intends this community to reflect their pride and commitment to the homeowners and community with the plans that they have presented to us.

Additionally, Shea has shown us through their actions that they take their responsibilities as a developer and homebuilder very seriously. The amendments that will be before you are evidence of this, and I urge you to approve this request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert and Sharon Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Robert and Sharon Brown
5768 Oak Pass Lane
Orcutt, CA 93455