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March 23, 2009

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors  
105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: HUNTER/LA PURISIMA RESORT

Honorable Supervisors,

The issue before you is a critical one, which the Planning Commission and staff have wisely recommended to be rejected by the Board. Please see copies of our correspondence attached.

The existing Golf Course is only allowed to operate as commercial venture solely by a conditional use permit on agricultural land. Approval of this project sets dangerous precedent for future development in this environmentally sensitive and specifically designated agricultural rural land.

This project would substantially increase the number of people and automobiles arriving to the immediate area. It is an unsafe location to have a highway entrance. The new east entrance to the property is very near the crest of a steep hill with low visibility from both directions. There have been many accidents and countless near misses a few hundred yards away at the entrance to Tularosa Road, where there are relatively few residents. With this terrain, and substantial increase in additional turning, the accident frequency would grow proportionately with the number of people arriving.

Respectfully submitted,

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