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Jacquelyne Alexander, Clerk of the Board Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Re: Nomination to the California Coastal Commission

Dear Clerk Clark:

I formally submit this letter to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and request consideration to have my name be forwarded to the Office of the Governor for possible nomination to the California Coastal Commission as the South-Central Region representative.

I have been a part of the City of Guadalupe's City Council since 2016 and have been re-elected to serve out a second term through December 2024. In December 2020, my fellow council members instilled their confidence in my professionalism by naming me, Mayor Pro Temp. In conjunction with my time as a council member, I also work as an Associate Professor of Counseling at Allan Hancock College. I hold a Master's degree in Counseling and Guidance from Cal Poly's School of Education.

My values for the coast match the California Coastal Commission's mission in which it is all of our responsibilities to protect the coastline for current and future generations. Much like the Coastal Commission's mission, I have worked alongside my fellow council members and staff to pass ordinances and budgets to keep the city business going in a financially sound direction. We have also worked hard to enhance our residents' lives by increasing our clean energy utilization and providing platforms for all residents to be a part of the decision-making policy. Bottom line, transparency is key to any representative government, and I take this as my charge in representing those who have provided me with the opportunity to do so.

My desire to see this region thrive comes from my years of being raised in Guadalupe. This hardworking community has shown me not only what it means to protect what you love but also the true meaning of the word "community." I will bring a unique blend of being able to integrate policy and law and continue to remember that people are at the core of any decision reached. My empathic nature will do just that for those if given the opportunity. Skills like these are why I know I would be able to elevate this region with fidelity and protect and enhance the natural beauty that is our shoreline for all to enjoy.

I appreciate your time and consideration. Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely.

Antonio Ramirez Mayor Pro Tem