

March 5, 2024

To: San Francisco Recreation and Park Department

From: Bay Area Young Survivors

Re: Updated in-kind award from Bay Area Young Survivors for renovated seating area

with memorial elements at the intersection of Arguello and Conservatory Dr.

Dear San Francisco Recreation and Park Department,

On May 3, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved Rec Park Commission Resolution 2212-006 authorizing Rec Park to accept and expend cash and in kind grants from the Bay Area Young Survivors (BAYS) of up to \$500,000 for the design and construction of a renovated seating area with memorial elements at the intersection of Arguello and Conservatory Dr. in Golden Gate Park.

Due to unforeseen cost inflation, we have completed fundraising and are prepared to donate approximately \$800,000 in cash and in-kind grant funding to ensure project completion, including approximately \$35,000 for project management services provided by the Recreation and Park Department.

Founded in San Francisco in 2007, BAYS is a support community for young people diagnosed with breast cancer. Inspired by our members with incurable metastatic disease, we sought a small place in Golden Gate Park to emulate the AIDS Memorial Grove, beautify for all, and honor our lost members. We are excited to be able to revitalize a small portion of our treasured San Francisco Parks as a passive social amenity for anyone to relax, enjoy nature, gather, meditate, celebrate, mourn, or heal.

Sincerely,

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