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June 16, 2021

Armando Quintero Director California Department of Parks and Recreation 1416 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 226-21

Dear Director Quintero:

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Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor 5/21/2021

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Marybel Batjer President, California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

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