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Mayors and Councilmembers Association
City of Healdsburg
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ATTN: Raina Allan, City Clerk/Public Information Officer, CMC

Re: Appointment to Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors

Dear Sonoma County Mayors and Council Members,

I am writing to ask for your support in appointing me to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Board of Directors.

The last 13 years of my career have been focused on energy, transportation, and buildings policy and program development. My experience with air quality improvement measures includes building and appliance regulations, and electrification of light duty vehicles, first/last-mile delivery, and heavy-duty trucking. I have participated in regulatory processes at the California Public Utilities Commission, Air Resources Board, and Energy Commission, and helped advance climate and clean energy legislation in Sacramento.

In 2020, I ran for a seat on the Petaluma City Council because I truly love local government. Now, after two years of serving, I am seeking a seat on the BAAQMD Board because I want to help reduce emissions and local air pollution throughout Bay Area communities.

In many ways, BAAQMD's work is precedent-setting for our nation. Addressing intersectional issues like environmental, climate, and economic justice require BAAQMD board members to do what is best for the health of our climate and public, while mitigating concerns about equity, career displacement, the economy, and more. I am up for the challenge.

As the son of a union carpenter who was raised in a Sonoma County dairy family and today works in climate policy, my life experiences have forced me to see different sides of issues. My diverse background will help me understand and take principled positions on the many complex issues that BAAQMD takes on.

For these reasons, I ask for your support. Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at (707) 373-6414 or by email at bbarnacle@cityofpetaluma.org if you would like to speak more about my interest in this position.

Thank you for your consideration and happy New Year.

Sincerely,

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