July 11, 2019

**Amy Nicholson** 

Santa Rosa City Counsel

Dear Ms. Nicholson,

I am writing this letter to express my support for the proposed Residence Inn by Marriott project in Fountaingrove. I have worked in the Fountaingrove area for 25 years and currently work in the building next to the proposed site. There always seems to be a shortage of places to stay when we have clients visit from out of town. In addition, having the proposed amenities (conference room/Bistro, etc.) would help to support our business. Please consider voting to approve this proposed project.

Sincerely,

Craig Franklin

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## Medtronic

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July 12, 2019

## Regarding the Proposed Residence Inn by Marriott Hotel at 3558 Round Barn Circle

Dear Santa Rosa City Council Members,

Like other local businesses, Medtronic has felt the impact of the loss of 375 nearby hotel rooms with the destruction of the Hilton Sonoma Wine Country and Fountaingrove Inn in 2017. As headquarters to two significant businesses within Medtronic's portfolio, our facilities at both the Fountaingrove and Brickway locations regularly host business-related events with large numbers of visitors and out of town guests. Currently, the limited hotel room availability near our facilities and corresponding increase in average room price makes it increasingly difficult to justify hosting such events in Santa Rosa.

Medtronic encourages the City of Santa Rosa to approve the appeal and approve the Conditional Use Permit for the proposed Residence Inn by Marriott Hotel located at 3558 Round Barn Circle, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

Respectfully,

Erik Kunz

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July 10, 2019

Santa Rosa City Council 100 Santa Rosa Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Dear Council Members,

Pisenti & Brinker LLP is located adjacent to the proposed project site for a Residence Inn by Marriot on Round Barn Circle. We would like to point out a few reasons why we emphatically APPROVE of this project.

After the loss of the Hilton Hotel and Fountain Grove Inn resulting from the Tubbs Fire, the number of available overnight rooms in our immediate area decreased significantly. The rooms and meeting areas are necessary for our clients and vendors to work near our office location on Round Barn Circle and having those rooms and amenities available in the Fountain Grove area is very important to us.

Secondly, we feel this project is important to the vitality of Santa Rosa as a hub of tourist activity. The availability of hotel rooms and amenities will serve to generate business for the wineries, restaurants and other businesses that tourists typically patronize in the City. We feel this Residence Inn project will help ensure that Santa Rosa is the first choice for overnight stay.

The Tubbs fire also robbed us of numerous restaurants in the Fountain Grove area. We view this project built as a catalyst to encourage more eating establishments to locate in the area and cater to local clientele.

We urge you to make the right decision and approve the Residence Inn project.

Sincerely,

James Perez

Partner

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## Nicholson, Amy

From: Beth Wyatt <nsb926@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 1:24 PM

**To:** Nicholson, Amy

**Subject:** Residence Inn by Marriott

July 12, 2019

Amy Nicholson Santa Rosa City Counsel

Dear Ms. Nicholson,

I am writing in support for the proposed Residence Inn by Marriott project in Fountaingrove. I have lived in Santa Rosa for over 35 years and I currently work in the building next to the proposed site. As you know, after the Firestorm of 2017 there has been a shortage of facilities for conference rooms, lunch meetings and guest stays. Also, the proposed Residence Inn by Marriott would create jobs that were eliminated because of the fire. I think that this project would be good for the continued healing of our community by providing employment for our community members and by providing space for guests to our community. Please vote to approve this proposed project.

Sincerely, Beth Wyatt 707-799-3204

Sent from my iPhone