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Hello my name is Carolan Raleigh-Halsing. I live in Arcata and work in Eureka, Bayside, and Westhaven. I urge you all to support the massive call for dismantling the many facets of our prison industrial complex. We are calling to defund police and sheriff Departments and to reallocate funds to social programs. As our community continues to adapt to the economically challenging times due to Covid-19 I urge you to look at each decision brought before you through the lens of eventual abolition. Use this time as an opportunity to transition into defunding our police and sheriffs department. Use this as a opportunity to refocus our resources (although limited) to restorative justice and social programs that support us rather than criminalize us. I would also like to comment on Campaign Zero and the 8 Can't Wait Guidelines as these were brought up by our sheriffs department in the past. Although these guidelines seem well meaning, it is crucial to note they maintain the status quo and are just another bandaid that do not address our system issues. I also urge those on the board to listen to the BIPOC community, and to create more avenues for community engagement. I look forward to our community figuring out and supporting what safety looks like for all of us. Thank you for your time.

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