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Francis H. Raymond (FHR) Nomination Review Committee California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection P.O. Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

RE: 2021 Francis H. Raymond Award Nomination: Gary Rynearson

Dear FHR Nomination Review Committee:

On behalf of the County of Humboldt Board of Supervisors, I am writing in support of the nomination of Gary Rynearson for the 2021 Francis H. Raymond Award. Gary has served on the California State Board of Forestry and served on the Humboldt County Forestry Review Committee for over 30 years. His contributions to the management of California's natural resources are extraordinary and his continued efforts and commitment are worthy of this honor.

Over the years, Gary has been instrumental in helping to establish and maintain responsible and sustainable rules for forest management and has helped keep the forest products industry on the North Coast and throughout the state of California viable through his efforts to advise, influence and educate natural resource policy.

Gary is a strong supporter of our community and his contributions to forest management and reforestation are second to none. I can't think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Virginie Bass, Chair

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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