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Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Attn: 5th District Supervisor Madrone 825 5th St, Eureka, Ca 95501 Cob@co.humboldt.ca.us smadrone@co.humboldt.ca.us

Dear Supervisor Madrone and Members of the Board,

On behalf of the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (MMAC), and the people of McKinleyville, thank you for your continued support for a vibrant future for McKinleyville. We appreciate the annual funding that enables the MMAC to carry out its mission of gathering community input and providing feedback to your Board and the Planning Commission on issues that impact the thousands who reside here. The Committee's **Rules Regulations and Procedures for Operation** state the following:

"Dedicated funding will be provided to cover materials, supplies, online meeting expenses and expenses related to MMAC hosted special meetings and events. Budgetary commitments of County staff and resources to the MMAC are at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors and shall be set by the Board of Supervisors in their annual budget process."

The MMAC requests that 2024-2025 funding continue at the same level as granted in the current fiscal year, i.e. \$5,000 plus rollover of any unspent portion of current year funds. MMAC is sensitive to the fact that the County is facing difficult financial times and hard choices, therefore we kept this request reasonable. There continue to be significant decisions facing McKinleyville; this funding will enable MMAC to continue to hold regular meetings, special meetings regarding transportation, incorporation and other critical community issues that may arise, and insure that the public is notified.

It takes a village to make a village. While we rely upon the County for a small amount of funding, there are significant additional resources expended, energetically and financially, paid and unpaid, which are provided by MMAC and community members, in support of this vital democratic process. The work of the MMAC would not be possible without contributions from all partners. Thank you for believing in the vision of a vibrant McKinleyville.

In collaboration,

M. Lisa Dugan, Chair MMAC

Kevin Jenkins, Vice-Chair, Treasurer MMAC