

10/20/20

Scott Adair Director of Economic Development County of Humboldt-Economic Development 520 E. Street Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Scott,

Over two years ago I approached Season George, as well as a number of others in my community, to form a group that would support the economic and business endeavors of small farms in southern Humboldt County. We conceived of the SoHum Farm Co at that point and have spent the last couple of years strategizing on how to move our businesses forward while still abiding by the rules, regulations, and laws set forth by the state of California and Humboldt County. One of the largest pinch points we have found, other than lack of capital funding, has been our inability to process our flower on the farms. To that end, a processing facility in southern Humboldt County would be a boon not only to our farms, but to the community at large.

Currently most of us have to send our product out of the county in order to get it ready for market. This not only impacts jobs in our county, but it also increases the carbon footprint of how far our flower has to travel to get to its end destination. The ability to increase our revenue, support economic development in our community, and create infrastructure that will promote our core values of sustainability, family run businesses, and community is imperative to the success of our entire community. In order to move forward with the speed that cannabis businesses are moving in the rest of the state this grant is integral for The SoHum Farm Co and Five Sisters Farm. We ask that you support Season George and issue the money that was promised in the Trellis grant.

Sincerely,

Wendy Kosnberg

Wendy Kornberg Chief Executive Officer

Hello,

I am Alicia Renata and I own and operate Blue Rock Gardens in Benbow. I am part of the SoHum Farm group with Season George and Five Sister's. Our area would greatly bene\$t from Season's proposal. It is close by, excellent

location for all of

Southern Humboldt, and badly needed.

I've been meetng with Season for a long while now, her farm is wonderful, and she is completely

capable of making this project a success.

Please invest in this and help us grow sustainably, and be an asset to our community.

Sincerely,

Alicia Renata CEO Blue Rock Gardens 707-362-5722 Bluerockgardens@gmail.com



10/21/20

Scott Adair Director of Economic Development County of Humboldt-Economic Development 520 E. Street Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Scott,

We here at Cherry Valley Farms support Season George in her efforts in the trellis grant program. Her farm is exemplary of how cannabis can be crafted while maintaining holistic stewardship of the land. Her efforts in organizing the regenerative agriculture community locally have helped expand our knowledge base, foster tourism, and maintain the standards and quality that make Humboldt county cannabis a worldwide name.

This particular grant would be a highly beneficial solution for one of the major bottlenecks in the business supply chain. These grant funds would help my farm and the entire SoHum Farm Company stimulate the growth in our local economy, lend farmers more agency in the production of cannabis, and make otherwise unavailable marketing opportunities to promote the distinct qualities of Southern Humboldt cannabis.

Sincerely,

Shawn Cherry

Shawn Cherry Owner



Dear Humboldt County Board Of Supervisors,

My name is Kelly Dunn, founder of Dragonfly Earth Medicine and the DEM Pure Certification. I am writing you all today on behalf of Five Sisters Farm, to show my forever support of this amazing family owned and operated farm. We, as a certifying body and a community educational platform, recognize and acknowledge the importance of having a teaching destination garden as a tool to build healthy community. Regenerative agriculture practices are the most important thing we can teach our youth and unfortunately, there is not a regenerative agriculture school where they can go and learn. It is up to community programs and community educators to lead this important platform. Five Sisters Farm has demonstrated a level of commitment to their sustainable growing technique as well as building revenue for Humboldt County tourism. We support SoHum Farm Co. accepting the grant monies to be implemented at Five Sisters Farm to help support the cooperative and uplift Humboldt County by educating and informing others on regenerative farming practices and cultivating healthy cannabis.

Five Sisters Farm is a wonderful family farm to support within the Humboldt Community because they are enriching and uplifting the cannabis tourism sector by bringing intelligent and hands on education to their visitors. The savvy and smart sisters who run this farm are leaders within our beyond organic certification and educational forums. Their insured leadership through receiving this grant is important for all of Humboldt and the future of intelligent food and cannabis cultivation within your county.

Plead take this letter of unwavering support into consideration upon the next discussion of Board Of Supervisors meeting for SoHum Farm Co. and Five Sisters Farm.

Thank you so much in advance for honoring and supporting local conscious cannabis farm educators by supporting them to continue their important work for a better future for our children and the planet!! We appreciate the work that Humboldt County Board of Supervisors are doing! In Gratitude,

Kelly Dunn Dragonfly Earth Medicine DEM Pure Certification



October 18, 2020

Board of Supervisors Humboldt County 825 5th St Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Esteemed Members of the Board,

My name is Victor Pinho and I am a resident of Castro Valley in Alameda County. I own and operate Emerald Farm Tours – California's most experienced cannabis tourism company – located on Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco.

I am writing to express my support for Season George and Five Sisters' Farm plan to create and curate a cannabis tourism destination on the property at 325 N US-101 in Piercy.

When I began Emerald Farm Tours, it was my goal to bridge the gap between consumers in the Bay and the multi-generational family farmers for whom cannabis was their livelihood. Showcasing the ethos of the Humboldt County heritage farmer is invaluable to both the individual consumer and the preservation of California cannabis culture. Bringing additional Bay Area consumers closer to the Humboldt County producers will benefit existing and future small businesses positioned along the US-101 corridor leading all the way into Garberville/Redway.

For nearly 20 years, my passions in cannabis have focused on activism, education, and breaking down stigma around responsible adult use. Ms. George's property, passion, and persona make for a remarkable opportunity for safe and responsible cannabis education and tourism into Humboldt County.

Sincerely,

Victor Pinho Founder & CEO, Emerald Farm Tours 155 Jefferson St, Suite 7 San Francisco, CA 94133 victor@emeraldfarmtours.com

GREEN GODDESS PHOTOGRAPHY PO BOX 1077 GARBERVILLE CA 760-977-9376

Dear Mr. Adair,

Please accept this letter of recommendation for Season George of Five Sisters Farm. We have known each other for several years and I have had the honor of photographing and touring her farms several times.

Season has a passion for cannabis, regenerative farming and Southern Humboldt. She has taken care to create a sense of community and an educational center on her farm in a way that is currently unmatched by any other farm I have been to. She takes pride in educating individuals not only on the benefits of cannabis, but on the benefits of creating a whole healthy life for oneself and the planet. I know her love, extensive knowledge and commitment to this project will be a benefit to all of the community.

This grant will not only benefit Five Sisters Farm, it will benefit all of Southern Humboldt. The location Season has chosen as her educational center is accessible to your every day traveler and creates a sense of wonder upon arrival. From the Hugel beds, to the local art, to the intermixing of cannabis, food and natural plants Season has truly achieved a piece paradise. This grant will only help expand that and create opportunities for others to understand the importance of her work, and other farmers like her.

Thank you for taking the time to let me talk about a woman I truly look up to, admire and care about.

Sincerely , Kimberlee Kelly Green Goddess Photography Dear Esteemed Members of the Board,

I am writing in support of Season George of Five Sisters Farms. In addition I would like to emphasize the economic significance of processing centers.

The more vertically integrated our farmers are the more opportunity they have to create regional economic development in the Emerald Triangle. Furthermore, operators like Season George are the cultural icons of our nascent industry. Just as surfers like Jack O'Neill became legends of the now global billion dollar surfing industry, our California farmers are evolving into the cultural leaders of tomorrow. The cultural wealth and sovereignty of Humboldt County is unmatched even on a global scale.

Supporting the success of farmers like Season George is crucial to maintaining the economic health of Humboldt County. SB 67 (now signed into law) further validates my position.

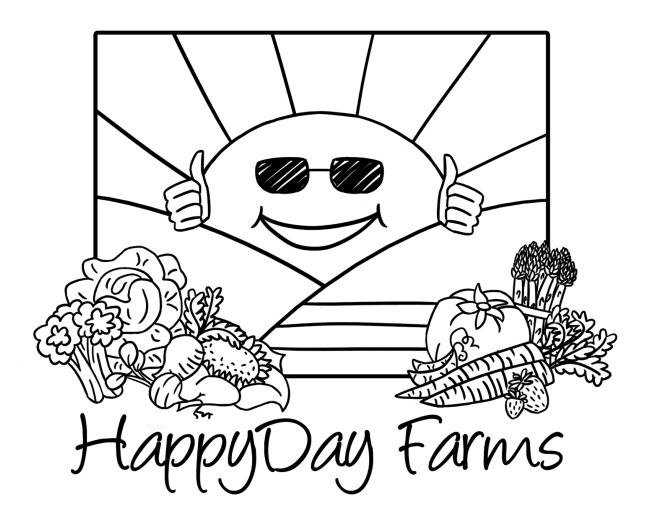
Let's keep in mind that the California Wine Industry is robust and economically healthy due to the multitude of family owned farms that comprise it. California wine culture is globally recognized and enjoyed the world over.

Supporting small farmers like Season George Five Sisters Farms and providing resources like processing centers is essential to the sustainable economic development of your region.

A healthy cannabis industry in Humboldt means investing with the heart and soul of this business. The resulting cultural sovereignty will only solidify Humboldt's reputation of being the world's top producer of craft cannabis and as a global cultural leader.

Sincerely,

-Daniel Montero GW Smoke Break TV



Humboldt County Board of Supervisors 825 5th St Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Supervisors and Staff

I would like to start off by applauding the work of Humboldt County through the Trellis Program. Having been involved in a great deal of policy work around cannabis, I think this program is one of the best examples of supportive regulations that exist anywhere.

I am writing today in support of Season George and her application for grant funds. I have known Season since 2015 and have seen her bring consistency and a strong work ethic to her community. She shows up for events and puts in time and energy as a volunteer.

I have been to Season's farm and I agree with her farming practices and think that 5 Sisters Farm makes an excellent showcase for canna-tourism in Humboldt County. I heartily support her application for Trellis Funds.

In addition to canna-tourism, the proposed processing facility is a sound idea because processing is the main bottleneck for local farms. Being able to control the processing/packaging steps in the chain means jobs and income for locals along with enhanced quality control because farmers are part of the process.

In closing, I hope that you will award these funds to Season George and I again applaud the efforts being made through the Trellis Program.

Thank you for your time,

Casey O'Neill

Casey O'Neill, HappyDay Farms

Hello,

My name is Matt Kurth. I am the owner of Humboldt Cannabis Tours, based in Eureka. Our mission is to deepen people's relationship with cannabis and those who grow it. We have been in operation throughout Humboldt County since 2015. I have lived in McKinleyville for ten years and plan to spend many more in the county.

Humboldt County has a unique opportunity to leverage our reputation for craft cannabis to drive tourism spending in the area. This spending will create jobs, increase tax revenue and support small legacy cannabis farmers transition into the regulated market. This growth comes at a relatively small cost to our environment. Many of us in the cannabis community envision Humboldt becoming to cannabis what France is to wine.

Season George and Five Sisters Farm are perfectly situated to provide a foundational model for cannabis tourism in Humboldt. This is one of the only farms that tourism and education have been a part of the business plan from day one. Season has a talent for and experience educating the public about cannabis, organic and natural farming methods. She also has a crystal clear vision of what the farm can become. The farm itself is ideally located very near Highway 101 at the gateway to our county. The combination of the location and the personalities and experiences of the staff make Five Sisters the perfect seed for a cannabis tourism industry.

I believe that Five Sisters Farm will prove to be a model for other cannabis businesses, giving farmers and regulators the confidence to push through barriers to cannabis tourism. I fully support Five Sisters Farm and hope to bring my tours there once that is possible. This farm is a great investment for a Trellis grant. The grant monies will come back to our community many times over through a sustainable cannabis tourism economy.

Please let me know if you have any questions or want to talk more about cannabis tourism. Thank you for your consideration in this matter and for helping our community in this time of transition.

Sincerely,

Matt Kurth Humboldt Cannabis Tours (707) 839-4640 MattKurth@HumCannabis,com



Humboldt County Board of Supervisors 520 E. Street Eureka, CA 95501

October 24, 2020

Honorable Members of the Board:

Hello—my name is April Price and I'm the founder & CEO of Higher Way Travel. We're a boutique tour operator based on the Central Coast that specializes in custom-curated events and vacation experiences for cannabis enthusiasts. I'm writing to you today to show our support for establishing a destination for cannabis tourism by Season George at Five Sisters' Farm at 325 N US-101 in Piercy.

I have been in the hospitality business since 2004, and have been booking cannabis travel since 2008. In 2016, my husband and I created Higher Way Travel as a way to connect cannabis lovers like ourselves with fun, fulfilling cultural experiences in various 420-friendly destinations. Whether in Jamaica, Barcelona, Amsterdam, Hawaii, Costa Rica, or right here in California, we always strive to make our vacation packages, group trips, and events as intimate, engaging, and enlightening as possible for our customers. Unfortunately, with international leisure travel effectively shut down due to the Covid epidemic, we have been forced to put our adventures abroad on hold indefinitely; but every setback also provides an opportunity, so for the time being we're shifting our focus to building such getaways here in California. Humboldt County's natural beauty and long, proud tradition of sun-grown cannabis farming make it an ideal setting for getaways like our Higher Health Retreat—a cannabis wellness retreat that incorporates activities such as yoga, hiking, essential oil workshops, and farm-to-table organic dining, among others. Five Sisters Farm is exactly the kind of property we look for to partner with on hosting small-scale events such as this.

This year's devastating wildfires, exacerbated by the effects of climate change, are a tragic example of what happens when we as humans try to live and work in defiance of the natural environment rather than in harmony with it. Now more than ever, it's so important for people to re-establish their relationships with the earth. Five Sisters Farm helps facilitate that by offering its guests valuable educational experience in the area of sustainable, regenerative farming— inspiring them to incorporate those practices at home in their own medicinal cannabis and food gardens. But more than that, the Farm provides a sort of spiritual sanctuary—an opportunity to relax the mind, recharge the body, and reconnect with nature.

We would be proud to have our brand associated with Five Sisters Farm and look forward to building a lasting partnership with Ms. George and her team in the years to come. We encourage you to please lend your approval to their noble endeavors.

Sincerely,

April Price Founder & CEO, Higher Way Travel

Hi,

My name is Kevin Jodrey. I am one of the owners of the one log dispensary next door to the five sisters farm location. I also own a licensed farm in Miranda, Ganjier farms. I write to you to show my support for the trellis grant that was granted to season for the creation of a processing facility.

We are in dire need for processing facilities in our area. This season I am having to ship my farms flower to the Bay Area to have it processed as there is such a shortage of processing facilities here. These operations need to remain local and in the hands of people who are conscientious local operators to maintain the value of the Humboldt brand. Local farmers need a local processing facility, actually many facilities, to handle the amount of cannabis grown in our region and to insure that the cannabis which is grown with so much care will be handled by a team that understands that level of care and also implements that same care into their process.

As a store owner I would love to be able to have flower that was grown and processed locally which ensures a more high quality product to sell to the customer. It also has a direct benefit to the county as this facility will be generating tax revenue for Humboldt. The many visitors who come to our store will be able to know the product They purchase was locally produced and made ready for sale by a local team. This falls in line perfectly for the appellation project which will define, protect and create the value our local flower product needs and deserves.

Thank you for your consideration and have a wonderful day. Sincerely,

Kevin Jodrey

LaLa Gardens Christina Trout, Steward 3833 Starlite Drive Fort Collins, CO 80524 October 27, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to a request for letter of support by Season George and as a Demonstration Garden myself, I offer insight based on direct experience what the benefits and unique value a demonstration garden offers.

A Demonstration Garden within the parameters of regenerative systems has the following potentials:

1. Because we have a predominant history of extractive agricultural practices, there are few examples in time and place of systems that more closely mimic natural systems than the tillage and monocropping which do not support sustainable food or medicine production. In a time when it is estimated that we literally have 60 years or 60 harvests of food production left globally due to the trend of soil loss through erosion (due to extractive agriculture), then it is these regenerative systems which are most closely following Natures inherent soil building systems which will help us navigate the scale-up necessary as we take up the challenge of reversing soil-loss towards feeding a planet.

2. When we understand so little about the soil beneath us, literally having named less than 5% of the microorganisms much less understanding their function within intact systems, it serves nothing less than FOOD SECURITY globally to have gardens and farms which are devoted to the task of not only tending to microbial diversity in their untilled spaces but to actively restoring this diversity by careful tending and observation over time which is a unique function of Demonstration Gardens.

3. Demonstration Gardens celebrate Succession (Nature is successive if left to herself). If left intact and operative, a succession mindset allows for the function of an evolving diversity of micro-organisms and too, the eutrophic evolving, interdependent levels of insects, small mammal, birds, larger mammals and finally the human being which is not separate from but very much a part of the systems which serve to feed and nurture, without the need to kill using pesticides or disruptive methods which are predominate within our larger society.

4. Nature has redundant systems to deal with the many stresses that come with seasons changing and climate disruptions such as fire, drought, erosion, etc. If these redundancies are eliminated as they are through current standard farming practices, then we are left alone to battle the results of our changing world with broken tools we don't understand how to use. Nature handles these stresses very well if allowed to go through the succession which brings us from a bacterial dominant 'weedy' landscape of viruses and pathogens to a more robust, diversity

which includes a

more fungal dominance and a diversity of life which will naturally bring levels of functional redundancy back to our depleted cultivated lands. Demonstration Gardens which have been in place, doing this work are the very places we will be studying to learn how best to support Natures diversity. These spaces are part of our NATIONS FOOD SECURITY and should be protected and nurtured as such. 5. We can't understand the function of a Demonstration Garden through the normalized system of Lab reductionist science and resultant chemical applications in responding to 'problems' of food scarcity and production through reactive 'fix-it' attitudes. We are seeing the result of that kind of action now. Demonstration Gardens offer functional natural spaces in which we get to practice observational science. We get to see in what ways Nature has our food interests covered. Nature sustains life if left to operate as a Demonstration Garden allows.

6. A Demonstration Garden, as tended by an observant gardener working in tandem with and support of Natural systems of regeneration and redundancy will be the avenues by which we come to understand our place within these very natural systems, offering us a key to nothing less than the garden gate to an abundant Garden Of Eden, should we choose.

Why do I know this? Because I'm tending my own garden and I've experienced it. May we all have the good fortune to stroll through such a garden teeming with fruits, foods and medicines, in wonder at Natures abundance.

Thank You for your generous support and enthusiasm for such projects, Christina Trout, Steward of LaLa Gardens. Board of Supervisors October 20, 2020 Humboldt County 825 5thSt Eureka CA, 95501

Dear members of the board,

My name is Leighton Morrison and I am the owner of a number of businesses and a national educator. I have known Season George for a number of years now and when

we met she told me about her dream to have a complete farm with all facets of the cannabis industry. Her goals were to host educational events, weddings and tours.

When I visited her farm I quickly realized of how perfect it was. As a developer I saw the safe access off and on to the 101, space for parking, a perfect barn for extraction/

cooking and the lay out her gardens were well thought out and just perfect for her dream. The fact that its opposite one log house, a dispensary, gift shop and camping

ground at the gate way to Humboldt county is absolutely perfect. I sincerely hope you see her vision and support her goals of providing a wonder space to support all aspect

of the cannabis industry in the perfect place to welcome visitor and tourists a like to beautiful Humboldt county.

Respectfully submitted,

Leighton Morrison

Owner of Kingdom Aquaponics LLC

Co founder of the Regenerative conference that took place in South Humboldt, 3 years

in a row.

Soil biologist, soil engineer and citizen scientist.

Carpenter, builder and developer

Board of Supervisors <u>Humboldt County</u> <u>825 5th Street</u> <u>Eureka, CA 95501</u> ATTN: Scott Adair, Director of Economic Development

Dear Mr. Adair,

My name is Liz Blaz. I am a cannabis industry educator, consumer advocate and small scale urban farmer striving towards regenerative practices. I am writing to you to express my enthusiastic support for Season George and her farm, Five Sisters' Farm, and their plan to create a cannabis tourist destination on their property, and their selection as a Trellis Grant recipient to help facilitate this vision.

I was first connected to Ms. George at an educational workshop near her farm 2 years ago that she helped to coordinate. Having had the opportunity to learn from and engage with Season in this setting, not on her own farm, where she made the international attendee base feel at home, I can only imagine the experience she could deliver from her own property on the land she tends.

Season's ability to accommodate all that seek to learn from her immense knowledge will be fortified by the delivery of the microgrant, as she intends to use the funds to increase access to her cannabis education destination and proposed processing center.

Her location, heritage, passion as an educator, grace as a hostess and dedication to land stewardship are a potent combination that represent an attractive and immersive experience. Season exemplifies her teachings in her own garden and brings a human aspect to something that most consumers are extremely disconnected from; source.

Additionally, the ease of access from the highly traveled 101 will undoubtedly boost the local economy as students, collaborators and other guests visit. I can personally confirm the latter, as someone who resides outside of Humboldt County and finds as many excuses as I can to visit and spend money on products made in, and representative of, Humboldt County.

Thank you for upholding what makes Humboldt County so special, including the work being done by Season and Five Sisters' Farm.

Sincerely,

Liz

Liz Blaz Portland, OR 719.207.2634

Good Day,

My name is Tina Gordon, the founder and owner of Moon Made Farms in southern Humboldt County. We are a small regenerative farm committed to land stewardship and cultural preservation. I've lived in Humboldt for fourteen years and have been cultivating independently for ten years. Having transitioned from having a medical collective to being a for profit business, I've learned a lot about how to survive and thrive moving forward. Regenerative practices, Humboldt heritage, Appellation of Origin, and tourism will all be part of the movement forward to participate and contribute to our community, the county, and through bringing consumers and the public a window into the natural beauty, culture, and plant medicine, and many other consumables that are consciously produced in Humboldt County.

Since I've been involved in the regulatory transition, I've looked to Season George and Five Sisters Farm as an example of how to move forward in a holistic and responsible way. Season is an early arriver to the legal process and trailblazer in the areas of regenerative farming and tourism. As a successful example of regenerative farming and best practices, Five Sisters Farms is positioned to be a greeting farm at the gateway to Humboldt County. Season is dedicating to building a platform for hospitality and education at her diverse polyculture farm and I fully support her vision. I would like to see Five Sisters Farm receive support from the county to help create a standard for how tourism can be built in Humboldt County. Humboldt has a great opportunity to honor the past and support future generations with a unique and rich contribution to an international audience.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns. I appreciate your time.

Many Thanks, Onward!

Tina Gordon| Owner, Founder Moon Made Farms <u>tina@moonmadefarms.com</u> <u>www.mooonmadefarms.com</u> Greetings,

My name is Dr. Peter Huson and I am writing you today as an owner of the One Log House and neighbor to Season George and Five Sisters Farm.

As part owner in the One Log House, located less than a half mile north of the farm, the economic development and attraction to the area is a critical component to the area.

Bringing people to her farm will bring people to my store. Tours are something the OLH has been interested in and I we believe we could have a symbiotic relationship in providing a wide breadth of cultivation styles here in the county.

We are the gateway from South to Humboldt County and are committed to giving an inviting and welcoming experience to visitors passing our businesses.

Thank you for considering the value of cannabis tours and supporting Five Sisters Farm,

Peter Huson, PhD 415.302.4688

Proper Wellness INC 517 5th St

Eureka, CA 95525

October 27, 2020

Board of Supervisors Humboldt County 825 5th St Eureka, CA 95501

Members of the Board;

We are reaching out today from the local business Proper Wellness INC to express our support for Season George & SoHum Farm Co. and the project submitted for the Trellis Grant. We believe the location Five Sisters Farm at 325 N US-101 in Piercy is an incredible representation of cannabis culture grown in a safe and educational environment. If approved for this funding the grant would be helping preserve this heritage farm and Humboldt's generational farming community as well as a woman cultivator, mother and local here in Humboldt and our common vision to share knowledge of the cannabis plant with the world.

Ms. George's project description includes cultivation and onsite processing creating a farm to package experience that consumers and enthusiasts as well as knowledge seekers and cannabis connoisseurs can observe, study, learn and discover how cannabis is grown here in our region. Season's knowledge and skill is something gained from her life experience and her property makes for the perfect setting for many tourist and locals to gain valuable information and hands on application of those skills in a both interesting and safe as well as accessible location.

Ms. George's personal and business connections in our community make for a perfect and seamless integration of local businesses and her project to create something that can be considered a global destination and awesome opportunity to preserve the true origin of Humboldt Cannabis while sharing this gift with the world.

Tara Gurley & Simone Mellor Board of Directors Proper Wellness INC 517 5th St Eureka CA 707 630 1142 properwellnesscenter@gmail.com Esteemed Members of the Board,

Since 2017 I and many others have returned to Humboldt time and again to learn more and more about Regenerative farming practices, Eco tourism and community building. I have mostly visited 5 Sisters Farm. Season is welcoming, available, inspirational, transparent, honest, trustworthy, educational, knowledgeable, patient and kind. She has worked tirelessly to initiate, promote, include and grow conversations about the reality of sustainability and our ecosystem. She has set a prime example for all to see. I love the location of the farm and the potential for growth in the community aspect. With clients coming in from all over the Nation to see what CAN be done and be shown how it really is possible!

I personally look forward to teaching Natural Farming classes at 5 Sisters. The sooner the better. We need more communities to have such a valuable resource available. Thank you for being such a leader in exemplary work!

I have worked in customer service since I was 16 (now 50) and ran a \$4M/yr department at the Boise Co-op for 18 years, helped start Boise Eco Village and currently manage Seeds of Hope Boise (IDAHO). I have seen a lot of success and not so successful. Season has a wide variety of skills and talents. She is worthy of being entrusted with all this has to offer and MORE. Every time I come back she impresses me again. 5 Sisters Farm is a valuable asset to your community. I see great things coming in your future.

I wish you all the best and look forward to my next visit.

Cheryl Mendiola SEEDS OF HOPE BOISE LLC Boise Eco Village REGENERATIVE SOIL TEAM LEADER CERTIFIED CGNF HAWAII Korean Natural Farming instructor Level 3 208-866-2627 From: SHBVB SH <<u>theshbvb@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 10:42 AM To: Adair, Scott <<u>sadair@co.humboldt.ca.us</u>> Subject: 5 Sisters Farm - Cannabis tourism

Hello,

We are in support of 5 Sisters Farm and their pursuit to help further cannabis tourism for Humboldt County.

We believe that cannabis tourism will have a positive economic impact on the county as whole and should be viewed as a economic support for the overall strategic framework for the county of Humboldt.

Thank you

Laura Lasseter

Southern Humboldt Business and Visitors Bureau Director of Operations Founding Board Member 707-543-1755 SHBVB.org

California Travel Association- CalTravel Board Member

Dear Board of Supervisors of Humboldt County,

My name is Tim Blake. I bought property in Mendocino county in 1983 and I've been a resident of Mendocino county for 30 years. I'm the founder and producer of The Emerald Cup. The Emerald Cup is the largest sun-grown cannabis competition and gathering of the cannabis community in the country. The Emerald Cup is in its 17th year. The Cup was started at Area 101, my campground and event center located 10 miles north of Laytonville on highway 101. We're produced political debates for the Mendocino sheriff and district attorney's offices at Area 101, we've produced several farmers markets there, we ran a cannabis dispensary called Healing Harvest Farms there for several years.

I've advocated for cannabis legalization since we helped get Mendocino county sheriff Tom Allman elected in 12 years ago. I supported prop 64, which legalized adult usage of cannabis in California.

I came forward and worked diligently all those years because I knew cannabis was going to eventually be legalized and integrated into every aspect of society.

Cannabis is our rightful heritage in the Emerald Triangle. We're quickly losing the incredible advantage and opportunity we had in regards to marketing our cannabis farms, our dispensaries, our product makers, and to market the tourism aspects of cannabis.

The rest of the state is leapfrogging over us in every aspect of cannabis business. We have a small window to promote who we are and why folks should come to the Emerald Cup to see our history, our farms, and to visit our dispensaries.

Season George and Five Sisters Farm had tourism and education at the forefront of their business model from the beginning. Good people like Season George and Five Sisters Cannabis Farms need all the support you can provide them. The community at large needs you to do this for everyone concerned. For jobs, tax revenue, for the small legacy farmers. For the overall community.

The farm is in an ideal location, Season and her crew teach organic farming methods, they're the type of people and business that we need to do everything possible to help them be successful.

Please consider approving Seasons application.

Thanks,

Tim Blake

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Sierra George, from UpNorth distribution in Arcata, Ca. and I am writing today, on behalf of Five Sisters Farm, to show my support. I acknowledge the importance of transition from legacy to corporate, and as a major processor, can foresee the potential benefits of having a Southern Humboldt processing facility. I feel it is important to preserve and promote heritage farming practices in Humboldt, as they integrate into the new corporate landscape. I support SoHum Farm Co. accepting the grant monies to be implemented at Five Sisters Farm to form a processing center.

Please take this letter of support into consideration upon the next discussion with the Board Of Supervisors meeting for SoHum Farm Co., and Five Sisters Farm.

Thank you for your time,

Sierra George Production Manager UpNorth Humboldt (707)-666-5757 <u>sierra@upnorthhumboldt.com</u>