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RE: September 7, 2021 Council Meeting – Item 6-E Lease for Building 29

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

Golden Gate Audubon Society (GGAS) and its Alameda Conservation Committee, Friends of the Alameda Wildlife Reserve (FAWR) agree that renewing the lease for Building 29, with the one-year termination option, would benefit the city and the tenants.

GGAS also recommends that the Council direct staff to continue to consider the needs of the tenants of Building 29 as other buildings at Alameda Point are available.

Building 29 is located within DePave Park, for which Alameda is seeking grant funding to support the development of a master plan. To support that grant application, Alameda needs to demonstrate its commitment to the park, which will sequester carbon, boost resiliency, and thereby increase the City's ability to deal with climate change. GGAS again urges the City Council to provide \$250,000 for the first steps in the development of that plan, thereby demonstrating Alameda's commitment to the development of DePave Park.

Sincerely,

Glenn Phillips
Executive Director

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