

EXHIBIT 2: Letters of Support



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June 11, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
Attn: Joan Cardellino
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I am writing to you to express my support for the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for planning and installation of new signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail. The trail runs through the Golden Gate National Recreation Area from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco.

This project will greatly improve visitor access to the California Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, enhance the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and provide a consistent character to the California Coastal Trail through the park.

At present, much of this section of trail lacks signage or, where signs have been installed is inconsistent. In many areas of the trail, interpretive signage and signs providing orienting directions are missing, incomplete, confusing, or at times conflicting. Visitor complaints about signage along the corridor are common.

In addition, natural and cultural resources are jeopardized as, due to inadequate signage, visitors unknowingly deviate from safe trails and into sensitive habitat areas. Improving the signage along the Coastal Trail corridor through the GGNRA will demonstrably improve public access to and appreciation of this resource.

I thank you for your consideration of this application.

If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact David Burruto in my district office at (415) 557-2312.

Sincerely,

LELAND Y. YEE, Ph.D.
Speaker pro Tempore
California State Assembly

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June 9, 2004

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Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I strongly support the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for planning and installation of new Coastal Trail signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail running through the GGNRA from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco. This project provides an opportunity to greatly improve visitor access to the California Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, will enhance the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and will create a consistent character to the California Coastal Trail through the park.

This effort is important because much of this section of trail is unsigned or, where signs exist, many are inconsistent. In many instances finding one's way is difficult and interpretive signage is missing altogether. The existing system of signs is inconsistent, incomplete, often confusing and sometimes conflicting. Visitor complaints about signage along the corridor are common. Often natural and cultural resources are also needlessly jeopardized as people unknowingly deviate from safe trails and approved uses.

Improving the signage along the Coastal Trail corridor through the GGNRA will demonstrably improve public access to and appreciation of this wonderful resource. Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

TOM LANTOS
Member of Congress

cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
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Dear Mr. Morabito:

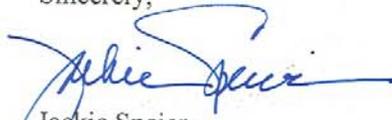
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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,


Jackie Speier
Senator, State of California

cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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**JOHN L. BURTON
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June 15, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I strongly support the application of the Golden Gate National Parks conservancy for planning and installation of new Coastal Trail signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail running through the GGNRA from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco. This project provides an opportunity to greatly improve visitor access to the California Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, will enhance the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and will create a consistent character to the California Coastal Trail through the park.

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Improving the signage along the Coastal Trail corridor through the GGNRA will demonstrably improve public access to and appreciation of this wonderful resource.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Peace and friendship,

JOHN L. BURTON
President pro Tempore
California State Senate

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United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Golden Gate National Recreation Area
Fort Mason, San Francisco, California 94123

IN REPLY REFER TO:
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June 14, 2004

Paul Morabito, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Morabito:

The Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) strongly supports the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for planning and installation of new California Coastal Trail (Coastal Trail) signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail running through the GGNRA from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco. This project provides an opportunity to greatly improve visitor access to the Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, enhances the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and creates a consistent character to the Coastal Trail through the park.

Signage on this portion of the Coastal Trail is inconsistent or, in many instances, is missing altogether. The existing system of signs is often confusing and sometimes conflicting, frequently causing visitors to unknowingly deviate from safe trails potentially jeopardizing natural and cultural resources.

The GGNRA is one of the largest urban national parks in the world, encompassing 75,500 acres of land and water in San Mateo, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Approximately 28 miles of coastline lie within its boundaries. The park begins where the Pacific Ocean meets San Francisco Bay offering a spectacular blend of natural beauty, historic features and urban landscape. To the north and south of the Golden Gate Bridge the GGNRA follows the Pacific shoreline creating a vast coastal preserve.

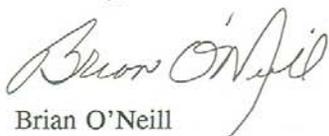
In the GGNRA sections of San Francisco and Marin Counties, the Coastal Trail route is established. One can now hike along the trail in Marin County from Muir Beach, along rocky coastal cliffs, cross the Golden Gate Bridge, and continue hiking in San Francisco along Land's End and Ocean Beach to Mori Point in San Mateo County.

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Thank you for your consideration in support of this application.

Sincerely,



Brian O'Neill
Superintendent
Golden Gate National Recreation Area

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June 15, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attention: Joan Cardellino

Dear Mr. Morabito:

Coastwalk strongly supports the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for planning and installation of new Coastal Trail signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail running through the GGNRA from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco. This project provides an opportunity to greatly improve visitor access to the California Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, will enhance the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and will create a consistent character to the California Coastal Trail through the park.

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Coastwalk, as you know, is the leading non-profit proponent of the CCT in California, and we look forward to working with the GGNRA and GGNPC in this important Trails Forever project.

Improving the signage along the Coastal Trail corridor through the GGNRA will demonstrably improve public access to, and appreciation of this wonderful resource.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Richard Nichols
Executive Director

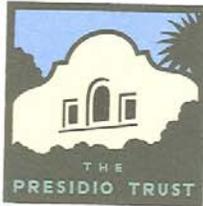
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June 18, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

The Presidio Trust strongly supports the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for planning and installation of new Coastal Trail signage along the 17-mile Coastal Trail running through the GGNRA from Muir Beach in Marin County to Merrie Way parking lot near the Cliff House in San Francisco. This project provides an opportunity to greatly improve visitor access to the California Coastal Trail in the GGNRA, will enhance the quality of the visitor's experience along this corridor, and will create a consistent character to the California Coastal Trail through the park.

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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Craig Middleton
Executive Director

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