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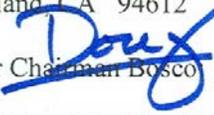
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August 1, 2005

Douglas Bosco
Chair, California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear  Doug Bosco

The City of Pacifica has recently submitted a grant application for the preservation of a 2.2 acre dune property that is an uncommon opportunity for the California Coastal Commission. The property is currently an eyesore with a large, red, ugly fence running approximately 1000 feet across the visual horizon. Purchase of the property would create that rarest of public improvements in modern California: Immediate improvement of the viewscape of the Pacific Ocean.

The second reason that this grant is so important is that it is cost-effective. \$250,000 will fill a gap in the coastal trail, thereby leveraging our existing public investment in beach access. To improve the cost-effectiveness of the grant, we understand that Pacifica will consider using the California Conservation Corps to assist with improvements. To borrow a slogan: Recycling (of taxpayer cash): It's good for the dollar, it's good for the coast.

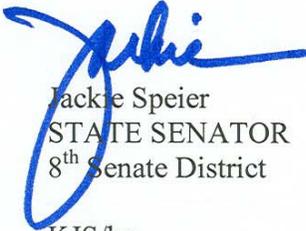
Third, the city hopes to make the site wheelchair accessible and hopes to be able to install some minimally-intrusive, visitor-friendly improvements, such as picnic tables. Right now, the fence is essentially a Berlin Wall blocking the People of California from their property and our ocean resources.

Finally, the city hopes to remove non-native plants that have taken root in the area, and to use native species to stabilize and restore the dune. This is entirely consistent with the attempt of the California Coastal Conservancy to improve the ecological value of our beaches and coastal estuaries.

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Thank you for your consideration of the grant request from Pacifica. I look forward to joining with members of the Coastal Conservancy when the Berlin Wall comes down, and the People of California can once again enjoy the freedom of their beachfront resource.

All the best,



Jackie Speier
STATE SENATOR
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August 1, 2005

Hon. Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write to convey my most enthusiastic support for the City of Pacifica's Esplanade Open Space project. The proposed 2.2 acre project will accomplish numerous community goals, including protecting Pacifica's last remaining dune parcel and other invaluable coastal land, preserving scenic vistas and open space and increasing public beach access. All Californians will benefit from the addition of this critical segment to the California Coastal Trail.

In addition to preserving these important public resources, the proposed project will include a section of the California Coastal Trail. The planned Coastal Trail runs the length of the California coast, from Oregon to Mexico, but it remains unfinished. Completion of the Coastal Trail is a major goal of a number of state agencies, including the California Coastal Conservancy, the Department of Parks and Recreation and the California Coastal Commission. Ventures such as the Esplanade Pacifica Open Space project ensure the completion of the California Coastal Trail.

I urge your most favorable consideration of the City of Pacifica's request. If I can provide further information as to the merits of this remarkable project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gene Mullin".

Gene Mullin
ASSEMBLYMEMBER, 19th District

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RICHARD GORDON

Board of Supervisors
County of San Mateo

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
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July 21, 2005

Dear Mr. Bosco:

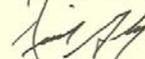
As a member of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to offer my support for the City of Pacifica's request to the Coastal Conservancy for \$250,000 in funds to complete the Esplanade Open Space Project.

The Esplanade Open Space will protect 2.2 acres of land in Pacifica's scenic corridor and will ensure public access to beach and coastal resources. The property is the final available stretch of dunes west of Highway 1 in northern Pacifica.

Significantly, the Esplanade Open Space project offers a link in the California Coastal Trail where coastal development could otherwise take place. Miles of the Coastal Trail are already in place in Pacifica thanks largely to previous investments by the Coastal Conservancy. The Esplanade segment of the trail will enable users to enjoy ocean views and access in an area currently obstructed by a chain link fence across from the Chit Chat café, a popular destination for both coastal visitors and the local community.

I strongly support the City of Pacifica's application for this project. The Coastal Conservancy is making similar efforts with San Mateo County's Mirada Surf property and we share the vision of the Coastal Trail stretching from Oregon along the length of California to the border with Mexico.

Thank you for your consideration,


Richard Gordon

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July 11, 2005

Douglas Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Marina Cazorla



Dear Mr. Bosco:

I would like to express my strong support for the City of Pacifica's Esplanade Open Space project. The proposed project will accomplish the following important goals:

- Protect invaluable coastal resources;
- Ensure public access to the beach;
- Preserve scenic vistas and open space; and
- Create the opportunity to add a critical segment to the California Coastal Trail.

The 2.2-acre Esplanade property, located on the west side of Highway One in Pacifica across the street from the Chit Chat cafe, is the last remaining dune parcel in the area. The Esplanade Open Space project will provide public access to the beach, protect coastal resources, preserve scenic vistas and open space and preclude development.

In addition to preserving these important public resources, the proposed project will include a section of the California Coastal Trail. The Coastal Trail runs the length of the California coast, from Oregon to Mexico; however it remains unfinished. Completion of the Coastal Trail is a major goal of a number of state agencies, including the California Coastal Conservancy, Department of Parks and Recreation and the California Coastal Commission. It is only with ventures like the Esplanade Pacifica Open Space project, that the California Coastal Trail will be completed. A grant from the Coastal Conservancy will enable the City of Pacifica to purchase the property for this open space project.

I appreciate your consideration of this worthy project.

Sincerely,

Julie Lancelli
Mayor

cc: City Manager
City Council