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46th District, California

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August 18, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Reference: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
(File No. 05-071-02) September 25, 2008 agenda

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write to support the efforts of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy (PVPLC) and the City of Rancho Palos Verdes to acquire 218 acres in the Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve area. The property is comprised of 190 acres known as Upper Filiorum and 28 acres known as Plumtree. These two real properties will link existing areas already preserved as the Nature Preserve.

The beauty of the Palos Verdes Peninsula is well-known to me. I am an alumnus of Palos Verdes High School, and my family and I resided in the area for many years. The Palos Verdes spectacular coastline stretches along the Pacific to Huntington Beach and comprises one of the more unique parts of my congressional district.

Acquisition of the 218 acres will provide contiguous land that will allow wildlife to move freely through open spaces. Furthermore, native habitat will be restored to promote the repopulation of species such as the rare Palos Verdes blue butterfly.

The Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve enjoys deep community support. Last year, volunteers from the entire south bay area contributed over 9,000 hours of work. In 2005, they raised over \$4 million to help acquire undeveloped land.

May I urge the Coastal Conservancy to support the Rancho Palos Verdes acquisition so that we may keep this marvelous, natural resource available to future generations?

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Dana Rohrabacher".

Dana Rohrabacher
Member of Congress

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August 7, 2008

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California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Mr. Bosco,

As the representative of California State Senate District 25, which extends from Long Beach to the Palos Verdes Peninsula I support the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy and the City Of Rancho Palos Verdes' effort to acquire the 218 acre acres of land from York Long Point Associates. My reasons for supporting it include:

- o This land will connect two existing nature areas that have already been preserved. It will form a nature corridor that will allow wildlife to move freely through the expanded Preserve. Over time the native habitat will be restored and help the repopulation of the area which is home to several endangered threatened species such as the very rare Palos Verdes blue butterfly.
- o Several of the trails which go across this area and have been closed for the past several years will be re-opened to the public.
- o The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy has preserved over 1200 acres of undeveloped land on the Peninsula. This spectacular coastline nature preserve, with ocean views will grow to 1400 acres and be kept open to the public in perpetuity.

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- o The community actively supports the Conservancy. Volunteers from the community, who come from all over the South Bay, including much of my constituency, provided over 9,000 hours volunteer work in 2007.
- o The PVPLC's 3rd grade education program has brought over 10,000 students from 19 schools on to the preserves over the past ten years.
- o This additional open space will afford even more opportunities to expand the Conservancy's outreach programs. This past school year, in conjunction with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, the Conservancy brought 500 middle-school children from South Los Angeles to the Preserves to teach them about the natural sciences.

I strongly support your effort to acquire this critical piece of land for open space.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edward Vincent". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Edward Vincent
Member of the Senate, 25th District

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1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

As the State Senator from the 28th District and Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Public Health and the Environment I am keenly aware of the need for open space to meet the needs of the public in general, and especially for children growing up in underserved areas of Los Angeles.

I support the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy's efforts to increase the amount of open space by acquiring undeveloped land from York and Associates. This land is one of the last major parcels of undeveloped land in the area.

In particular I support their efforts to reach out to the children in the South Bay and beyond with their education programs in the natural sciences. Their 3rd grade education program brings more than 1400 elementary school children from 19 schools to four in-class sessions and a visit to a local green area every year. I appreciate this outreach effort, since Wood Elementary School in Torrance and Bonita Elementary School in Carson both participate in this program.

I am also pleased that the Conservancy is working with the LA Conservation Corps to bring middle schoolchildren from South Los Angeles in the Los Angeles Unified School District to the Preserves to introduce them to the natural sciences. The first group of students from Markham Junior High in Watts visited the Preserves this spring and so far more than 160 students have participated in the program.

We would certainly welcome a grant from the State Coastal Conservancy in support for the much needed addition of open space in the area.

Sincerely,

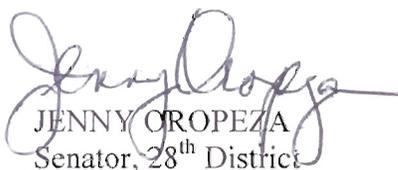

JENNY OROPEZA
Senator, 28th District



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August 8, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
(File No. 05-071-02) September 25, 2008 agenda

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As the Assemblymember representing the 54th District, I strongly support the efforts of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy (PVPLC) to preserve open space. The PVPLC has done an exemplary job of preserving undeveloped land on the Peninsula. In 2005, the PVPLC successfully acquired an additional 430 acres of land with the support of the California Coastal Conservancy, other governmental agencies and numerous private donations from community members.

Currently, there is a tremendous opportunity for the PVPLC to acquire 218 acres of undeveloped land, one of the last major undeveloped parcels in the area. This land connects the existing preserves in the Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve and will provide a natural wildlife corridor. This will be critical for the resurgence of native plants and animals including the endangered and threatened species such as the very rare Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly and the California Gnatcatcher.

I fully support the efforts of the PVPLC to acquire this additional area and preserve it as open space for the public to enjoy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betty Karnette".

BETTY KARNETTE
Assemblymember, 54th District

Cc: Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy





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DON KNABE
CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM

August 19, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco
Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

RANCHO PALOS VERDES NCCP ACQUISITIONS (FILE NO. 05-071-02) SEPTEMBER 25, 2008 AGENDA

I wanted to express my full support of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy's efforts to acquire 218 acres of the Upper Filiorum and Plum Tree parcels of land.

As the area's representative on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, I am very familiar with, and strongly support, the efforts of the Conservancy to preserve open space. They have also dedicated themselves to restoring the native habitat and have implemented a number of valuable education and science programs. Additionally, The Conservancy demonstrated that they have strong community support by securing over \$4 million in contributions from the public to acquire land in 2005.

This planned acquisition represents a culmination of 20 years of work to create the Portuguese Bend Nature Preserve. This particular land is strategically important, because it connects the existing preserves in the Portuguese Bend area and will provide a natural wildlife corridor that will aid in the repopulation of native plants and animals in this area. It will also allow for the re-opening of trails that have been closed to the public for several years.

I am very much in support of the acquisition of this additional land for open space which will benefit wildlife and be kept open to the public forever.

Sincerely,

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DON KNABE
Chairman Pro-Tem
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August 12, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Reference: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
(File No. 05-071-02) September 25, 2008 agenda

Dear Mr. Bosco,

On behalf of the City Council, I am writing to express the City of Rolling Hills' active and enthusiastic support of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy efforts to preserve and maintain open space on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. Specifically, we support the planned acquisition of the 218 acres of the Upper Filiorum and Plum Tree parcels of land that will increase the amount of critical open space in the area.

The Conservancy has dedicated themselves to restoring the native habitat on the lands that they manage, and have implemented a number of valuable education and science programs for our children, from natural science programs for third graders to high school and university level research projects. The planned acquisition of the Upper Filiorum and Plum Tree parcels, as one of the last major parcels of undeveloped land in the area, will expand this program and allow for the re-opening of trails that have been closed to the public for several years.

This land is also important because it connects the existing preserves in the Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve and helps to form a natural wildlife corridor that will help the repopulation of native plants and animals in this area. The City of Rolling Hills supports the acquisition of this additional land for open space which will benefit the wildlife and be kept open to the public in perpetuity.

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The Conservancy demonstrated that they have strong community support by raising over \$4 million from the public to acquire land in 2005 and, we are confident they will duplicate their success for this new acquisition. The City of Rolling Hills contributed approximately \$220,000.00 toward the public open space and we are hopeful that we will have the opportunity to support a new fundraising campaign that benefits the public.

Sincerely,



Frank E. Hill
Mayor

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cc: City Council

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August 13, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Reference: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
(File No. 05-071-02) September 25, 2008 agenda

Dear Mr. Bosco,

Please accept this letter of support for the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy's efforts to acquire 218 acres of undeveloped land in Rancho Palos Verdes.

Since its inception in 1988, the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy (PVLC) has preserved over 1200 acres of land on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. These preserves not only nurture and restore rare native coastal habitat but also allow public access to open space in perpetuity.

The parcel included in this acquisition would connect together existing preserves in the Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve in order to provide a natural wildlife corridor to assist in the resurgence of native plants and animals. The area is home to endangered and threatened species such as the Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly and the California Gnatcatcher.

As Mayor of Palos Verdes Estates, I take great pride that our community has permanently set aside over 28% of the land in our city limits to serve as parklands and open space for the enjoyment of our residents and visitors. With continuing pressure to develop the remaining open space parcels on the Peninsula, I believe that the PVLC's open space preserve program is deserving of funding from the California Coastal Conservancy and will be supported by significant contributions from the private sector as well.

Thank you in advance for consideration of this letter of support and please do not hesitate to contact me if you desire additional information.

Sincerely,

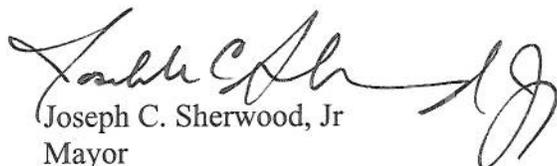

Joseph C. Sherwood, Jr
Mayor

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August 11, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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Reference: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
(File No. 05-071-02) September 25, 2008 Agenda

Dear Mr. Bosco,

The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy has preserved over 1200 acres of land, including land in Rolling Hills Estates. These preserves not only nurture and restore rare native coastal habitat but also insures public access to the properties.

The City of Rolling Hills Estates is an enthusiastic supporter of open space on the Peninsula, and the George F. Canyon Nature Center in RHE is a popular starting point for many nature hikes which we provide in conjunction with the Conservancy.

We strongly support the PVPLC's effort to acquire 218 acres of undeveloped land that links together existing preserves in the Portuguese Bend Nature Reserve and will provide a natural wildlife corridor that will help the resurgence of native plants and animals. These include endangered and threatened species such as the very rare Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly and the California Gnatcatcher.

I feel that the Conservancy is providing a valuable service to people who live on the Peninsula and to residents of the many surrounding neighborhoods in the South Bay and beyond, who enjoy the peaceful solitude of the open space.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Seamans".

Susan Seamans
Council Member

MALCOLM S. SHARP
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Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
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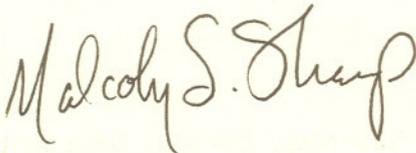
In my role as President of the Board of Education of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District, I am very aware of the need for open space in the crowded metropolitan area of Los Angeles, and how important it is to have our children enjoy and learn from these natural areas.

I support the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy's acquisition of the undeveloped land from York and Associates, which is one of the last major parcels of undeveloped land in our area.

In particular I support the Conservancy's efforts to reach out to our children with their education programs in the natural sciences in Palos Verdes, the South Bay and beyond. Their 3rd grade education program brings over 1,400 children to four in-class sessions and a visit to a local green area every year. As an educator, I also appreciate the Science Research opportunities on the Preserves that the Conservancy has provided our students.

I welcome the addition of this much needed open space in our community that will be available for our children in perpetuity.

Sincerely,



Malcolm S. Sharp
President, Board of Education
Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District



DOUGLAS W. STERN, MAYOR

LARRY CLARK, MAYOR PRO TEM

PETER C. GARDINER, COUNCILMAN
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August 4, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman,
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Reference: Rancho Palos Verdes NCCP Acquisitions
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Dear Mr. Bosco:

I write to you as the Mayor of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes ("City") to express support for the acquisition of the 218 acres of the Upper Filiorum and Plum Tree parcels of land by the City and the Palos Verdes Land Conservancy ("the Conservancy").

As a former member of the Board of Directors of the Conservancy and a current member of the City Council, I am very familiar with, and strongly support, the efforts of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy and the City to preserve open space on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. They have also dedicated themselves to restoring the native habitat and have implemented a number of valuable education and science programs for our children – from natural science programs for third graders to high school and university level research projects.

In addition to bringing 1400 3rd graders from 19 schools on to the Preserves every year, the Conservancy, partnering with the LA Conservation Corps, has brought 500 middle school children from South Los Angeles to the Preserve to explore the natural sciences.

Strong community support for these acquisitions was demonstrated by the Conservancy's successful fund raising of over \$4 million from the public to acquire land in 2005, which the City is placing in the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve. This land is available for all of the public to enjoy.

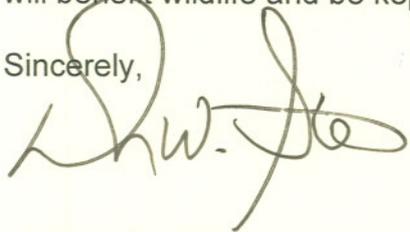
Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
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The City Council fully supports the planned acquisition of one of the last major parcels of undeveloped land in the area and has committed \$613,000 of City funds toward that purpose. The purchase of this remaining land will represent the culmination of 20 years of work to create the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve. It will also allow for the re-opening of trails that have been closed to the public for several years.

This land also is strategically important, because it connects the existing land that already has been acquired for the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve and will provide a natural wildlife corridor that will aid in the repopulation of native plants and animals in this area. These endangered and threatened species include the rare Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly and the California Gnatcatcher.

The City very much supports the acquisition of this additional land for open space, which will benefit wildlife and be kept open to the public, forever.

Sincerely,

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Douglas W. Stern
Mayor

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