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To: City Council, City of San Pablo

Ref: City of San Pablo - Maple Hall Rental Fee Waiver Request

Dear Members of the City Council,

I am writing to you on behalf of The Latina Center to request your support for our Women's Health Leadership, and Young Latin Future Leaders programs graduation ceremony on July 13th, 2024, at the New Maple Hall.

This leadership programs are designed to empower women and youth within our Latino communities. That program has been instrumental in helping participants improve their abilities, overcome personal and communal challenges, and develop projects that significantly benefit the health and well-being of our community throughout the year.

Each year, The Latina Center graduates about 25 Latino women from west contra costa from our intensive leadership program, through their projects they develop themselves; each woman reaches out to others in her community. Over the past 24 years, The Latina Center has trained 800 women as Peer Leaders and outreached to approximately 6,500 members of our community. Some of these women continue with their projects well beyond their graduation date.

We believe that Maple Hall is a perfect venue for bringing together community members to celebrate these outstanding leaders. However, as a non-profit organization, the cost associated with renting Maple Hall poses a significant financial challenge for us.

Therefore, we respectfully request the City Council's support in waiving the rental fee for Maple Hall for this event. Your support in this matter would not only alleviate a substantial financial burden but also demonstrate the city's commitment to fostering leadership and community health initiatives within our Latino communities. We are confident that this event, with the support of the City Council, will inspire continued community engagement and development. By waiving the fee, you will be playing a crucial role in supporting the health and empowerment of women and youth in our community.

Thank you for considering our request. We sincerely hope for your positive response and continued support for the Women's Health Leadership and Young Latin Future Leader programs. Sincerely,

Executive Director