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Members of the Board of Supervisors:

My name is Michael Fischer, a resident of El Cerrito. I am the Chair of the Library Commission, El Cerrito's designated Library Commissioner, and a member of the organizing committee of the Library Foundation of Contra Costa. I'm commenting in my individual capacity.

I wish to urge the Board to accept the report on the allocation of Measure X funds to the Foundation. These funds will allow for the establishment of a countywide Library Foundation which will do much to provide greater equitable charitable funding for our libraries. The Board has recognized this connection in its initial decision to provide this funding. The organizing committee is working carefully to ensure that the proposed Foundation will be properly formed and be able to meet the needs of our county.

The report also notes that we on the organizing committee welcome the input from the Board and from individual supervisors on the next steps involving the establishment of the foundation.

Kind regards,

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Robust Library Hours Are Vital to Our Most Needy

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My name is Susan Hildreth and am a member of the Organizing Committee for the Library Foundation of Contra Costa (LFCC). I am also a member of the Contra Costa County Library Commission representing Supervisorial District 2. I would like to thank Supervisor Candace Andersen for appointing me to the Commission. I am sending this comment as I do not believe I will be able to attend the August 2nd meeting. I want to thank the Internal Operations Committee for their informed consideration of the LFCC at their June 16th meeting. I am strongly in support of the creation of the LFCC and appreciate the support from the Board of Supervisors through the allocation of \$50,000 in Measure X funding. The LFCC Organizing Committee is hard at work initiating the incorporation process, developing an inclusive and committed board and building on the initial \$50,000 investment from the County to begin critical fund-raising efforts. I believe that the LFCC can address the inequities in library funding in Contra Costa County, support capital projects in communities that do not have established or robust library support groups and provide county-wide services and programs that will benefit all library users. As a former California State Librarian (2004-2009), I am committed to providing equitable library services to all residents of Contra Costa County; and the LFCCC can help our communities achieve this goal. Thank you for your support and we will keep you informed on our progress. Susan Hildreth

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