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MEMORANDUM

Marin County Parks, 3501 Civic Center Dr, Suite 260, San Rafael, CA 94903

DATE: November 30, 2023

TO: Bolinas Lagoon Advisory Council

FROM: Samantha Haimovitch, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Agenda Item #5: Marin County Board of Supervisors Certificates of Recognition Honoring Kiren Niederberger and Gwen Heistand

DISCUSSION

Kiren Niederberger has served on the Bolinas Lagoon Advisory Council since its inception in 2012, and prior to that served for many years on its predecessor, the Bolinas Lagoon Technical Advisory Commission representing the Seadrift Homeowners Association. Kiren stepped down as General Manager of Seadrift in January of 2023 and is no longer representing its interest on the Bolinas Lagoon Advisory Council. Presentation of this Certificate of Appreciation from Dennis Rodoni, Marin County Board of Supervisors District 4 Representative honors Kiren's long-standing and spirited commitment to the preservation and restoration of Bolinas Lagoon.

Gwen Heistand has similarly served on the Bolinas Lagoon Advisory Council and the Bolinas Lagoon Technical Advisory Commission since 2004, representing the interests of Audubon Canyon Ranch. Gwen retired earlier this year from ACR after an impressive 20-year career as director of education and resident biologist at the Martin Griffin Preserve. This Certificate of Appreciation from Dennis Rodoni, Marin County Board of Supervisors District 4 Representative honors Gwen's dedication and passion for environmental education and stewardship and is a heartfelt gesture of thanks for her work in safeguarding Bolinas Lagoon.