From:
To: CMO BoardFeedback
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**Subject:** Concerned Citizen No on Realignment Proposal

**Date:** Tuesday, April 6, 2021 7:08:12 AM

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Hello and to whom it may concern:

My name is Shanna Uhila from Anamatangi Polynesian Voices in East Palo Alto. My mother Dee Uhila, was a Juvenile Commissioner for San Mateo County for 15+ plus years.

I am writing in opposition and concern for the the new or proposal being introduced by Juvenile Hall Chief of San Mateo County John Keene.

This plan being introduced by Chief John Keene of San Mateo County for the Juvenile Justice Realignment is not conducive to our county and nor is this plan mindful to the new / mindful avenues we can use to help heal our juvenile population.

Please - say no to this realignment proposal, and I encourage the board to please encourage Cheif Keene to go back to the drawing board, and to please think more systematically and thoughtfully to counter institutionally apathy toward change.

Thank you.

Warm regards: Shanna Uhila From:

To: CMO BoardFeedback

Subject: Opposition to Re-Alignment Proposal Date: Monday, April 5, 2021 9:48:28 PM

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My name is Paul Bocanegra and I am Co-Founder of ReEvolution and I am also a JJDP Commissioner for SMC. I am a Re-Entry Specialist, Certified Drug and Alcohol Counselor, and I am also a survivor of a Life Without Parole prison sentence issued to me at the age of 17 years old. I spent 25 years ½ in various adult institutions and have spent time in the DJJ. I transitioned back into my community in 2017 and live in Redwood City, Eagle Hill Neighborhood with my wife.

Today, I use my lived experience to educate and assist the community in creating a more restorative approach in treating our underserved youth whom more often than none, suffer from complex trauma, mental illness, and addiction. All diseases which our JCJS now understands can not be pusinshed out of youth, by placing them in cages.

In reading this proposal, it is requesting the complete opposite of what Senate Bill 823 was intended to do. Probation is intending to open our emptied cage doors to our neighbors children for the deliverance of justice. SMC will move behind neighboring counties who are using Restorative Justice Practices to keep its youth in their natural communities. This is exactly what restorative justice is. It is not the shifting and importing of youth to serve their time where there is space.

This practice would also enable counties to fall short in creating their own infrastructure for rehabilitation to youth. SMC is in the process of reimagining how it treats its youth from underserved communities, and this would be a total misstep in an opportunity to lead the Bay Area in holistic treatment of youth who suffer from mental illness and other diseases.

I urge you to reconsider this proposal and ask that it be redesigned to follow a model consistent with Restorative Practices that respects SB 823 and works to restore youth to their natural communities, so that they may remain in the close proximities to their families.

Best regards,

Paul Bocanegra.

SMC-JJDP Commissioner, Co-Founder ReEvolution, SUDC-II.

From:

To: CMO BoardFeedback

Subject: Support of Agenda Item 9. Measure K: Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time grant

**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 7:29:18 PM

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To the Honorable Members of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Staff, Volunteers, Artists and Students of Peninsula Ballet Theatre, thank you for your consideration and support of Measure K Funds to provide a Media Hub which will be housed at Peninsula Ballet Theatre but available to all nonprofit arts organizations in San Mateo County. This past year has indelibly changed the way in which all of us will provide performances and classes to not only the residents of San Mateo County but to performing arts lovers locally, nationally and internationally. In order to survive and thrive in the new post pandemic world, must be prepared to meet our audience and students in a format that meets their needs and wants. This will require a new approach that includes the capacity of a hybrid approach of live <u>and</u> virtual performances and classes that make it possible for all, regardless of age, ability or proximity to enjoy and participate in this most joyous of art forms. There is no similar Media Hub in the entire County. Please support this use of Measure K Funds.

Respectfully,

## Christine Leslie

Executive Director/CEO Peninsula Ballet Theatre



From:

To: CMO BoardFeedback

Cc: Christine

Subject: In Support of Agenda Item 9. Measure K: Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time grant

**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 8:17:22 PM

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For the attention of Honorable Members of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

As President of Peninsula Ballet Theater's Board of Trustees, I join our staff, volunteers, artists, and students in thanking the Honorable Members of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors for your consideration and support regarding the application of Measure K Funds to a much needed Media Hub resource. The Hub will be located at Peninsula Ballet Theatre but available to all nonprofit arts organizations in San Mateo County. The pandemic has reinforced our belief that sharing art forms in todays world requires a hybrid approach that presents live <u>and</u> virtual performances. A Media Hub in San Mateo County will make it possible for all, regardless of age, ability, or proximity, to enjoy and participate in performing arts. Please support this use of Measure K Funds.

Respectfully
Connie DesAutels
Chairperson, Peninsula Ballet Theater Board of Trustees

From:

To:

CMO BoardFeedback

Subject: In Support of PENINSULA BALLET THEATRE and CAROLE GROOM

**Date:** Monday, April 5, 2021 6:55:51 PM

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Dear San Mateo County Board of Supervisors,

It is my honor to submit this email in support of Supervisor Carole Groom's proposal to provide financial assistance to Peninsula Ballet Theatre for the expressed purposes of creating and establishing a Media Hub.

Over the past 14 months, the Bay Area (and the nation) has endured the necessary shutdown of all live performances in order to protect the health and safety of the public and all performing artists. The impact on the performing arts has been devastating and created financial havoc threatening the very existence of all of San Mateo County's performing arts organizations. One avenue of support for these not-for-profit organizations is to create art that can be captured on video and streamed into communities locally, nationally and internationally.

Supervisor Groom's proposal to provide financial support for Peninsula Ballet Theatre's Media Hub is a brilliant stroke and a move in the right direction.

This will help PBT to keep its dancers working and for the first time, allow these virtual performances to be enjoyed beyond Northern California. What a brilliant way to promote the cultural assets and resources of San Mateo County to the rest of the nation and beyond.

The Media Hub will allow PBT to collaborate with many other San Mateo County-based not-for-profits and artists who are looking to do the same.

I believe this is a wise investment and urge your support of this proposal for full funding. Your vote of approval will surely strike a blow for civilization.

Respectfully submitted, Jon Finck

Monday, 5 April 2021