

Wendy Winningham

From: Michael Kobseff
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 11:03 AM
To: Wendy Winningham
Subject: FW: Letter of Support for Golden Eagle Charter School Use Permit
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Thank you,

Michael N. Kobseff
Siskiyou County Supervisor for District 3

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From: Dave Theno <dave@gecs.org>
Date: 4/29/24 10:44 AM (GMT-08:00)
To: Michael Kobseff <mkobseff@co.siskiyou.ca.us>
Subject: Letter of Support for Golden Eagle Charter School Use Permit

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached my letter of support for Golden Eagle Charter School's application for a use permit in Mount Shasta. I encourage the Board of Supervisors to allow the Planning Commission's decision to approve this permit to move forward.

Thank You,
Dave Theno
Golden Eagle Charter School

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Dave Theno
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April 29, 2024

Mount Shasta, California

Fr: Dave Theno, Program Manager
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9th-12th Grade Program
2226 S. Mt. Shasta Blvd.
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To: The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors

I am writing to express my support for Golden Eagle Charter School's use permit for our property at 1030 W.A. Barr Road in Mount Shasta. This project will provide our students with much-needed improvements in the safety and quality of education across all grade levels, including the 9th-12th Grade program that I manage for the school. Furthermore, I look forward to the opportunity for our school to become a vibrant, positive addition to a new neighborhood and to the Mount Shasta community at large.

In the eighteen years I've been a teacher at Golden Eagle, I have worked in a variety of spaces. We have a proud tradition of retrofitting and converting spaces that once were storefronts, retail spaces, auto shops, assisted living facilities, and residential homes. In each situation, we treat our learning spaces--and the neighborhoods around them--with the reverence and recognition they deserve as important centers for education, for child development, and as social hubs for our school community. Teaching is a sacred public trust, and the spaces where teaching and learning happen deserve to be honored and tended to with serious care.

Though we have been able to make a lot of different situations work for our students, the prospect of a campus dedicated to serving our entire South County student population will be a big step forward for numerous reasons. Centralizing our campus-based educational programs, designing buildings for learning and teaching, and situating our administration offices alongside students and teachers will all improve the safety, quality of life, and opportunities for high-quality learning for students and staff during the time we share at school.

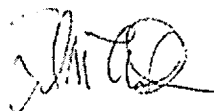
As to the grounds and natural land on and around the proposed building site, we intend to do as we always have with any new space: steward and tend to the land with care and diligence so our students and our neighbors can

experience our presence as a positive asset to the community.

Golden Eagle Charter School is a good neighbor. Every member of our staff is devoted to making kids' lives better and providing benefits to our school community as well as the world at large. Developing this property will help us to pursue these goals, and I therefore support this project and encourage you to approve our use permit.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further at dave@gecs.org or (530) 925-1360.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Theno". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Dave Theno