Dhananjay Chatterjee, MD Resident of Calabasas CA

To: City of Calabasas Planning Commission 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA 91302

Re: Support for Development of 23720 Summit Dr Project

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed construction of a single-family home at 23720 Summit Dr in Calabasas. As a resident of this city in the community, I believe this development would be a positive addition to our neighborhood.

I would like to mention that Dr. Sonia Jasuja, the applicant's wife, is one of my good friends and colleagues. She and her husband would be lovely additions to our community. They are intelligent, kind and thoughtful people, and I am certain that they will be responsible homeowners and good neighbors. They will take care of the property and ensure this new home is a positive addition to the neighborhood.

Overall, the development of this single-family home is a well-thought-out proposal that will benefit the entire community. I strongly encourage you to give it your full consideration.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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 From:
 Gabe Thorburn

 To:
 Jaclyn Rackerby

Subject: Public comment on 23720 Sunmit Dr Date: Paturday, January 13, 2024 12:16:44 PM

Dear Planning Commission of Calabasas,

I'm writing to provide a public comment about the project at 23720 Summit Dr (APN: 2072-018-017), in the city of Calabasas.

My main concern with this project is that it is being built on what has been used for decades as a trailhead to access the large network of trails and miles of public lands right nearby, to the south of this project.

I recently, in 2023, purchased a house in the Calabasas Highlands, and one of the best things about this neighborhood is that it has direct access to the hiking trails that connect to public lands and the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. The ability to own a home where you are able to walk out of your front door without driving anywhere and go for a hike or a bike ride on the trails has been a dream of mine for years, and I am thrilled that I was able to purchase the house I live in on Aster Trl, a short distance from the trails.

As I understand it, this joy of being able to access open spaces and public lands to the south of this neighborhood has been enjoyed for generations by many families in the Calabasas Highlands, including the family who owned the house before me. There is a long precedent of families and individuals using the hiking trail through the property of 23720 Summit Dr to access the trails. From the National Park Service's website, "More than 500 miles of public trails crisscross the Santa Monica Mountains, offering a lifetime of exploration."

To my knowledge, there is only one other vacant lot down the street from this one where a trail exists that people are using to access the network of trails directly from the Highlands neighborhood. If that property were to also be developed, then there would be no viable way to access the trail network by foot directly from the neighborhood.

If this project gets approved, I urge the city to ask for a condition that an easement, either at this property or another property, be created that would allow an established public trailhead around the property. Such an easement would be a great investment for the residents of Calabasas Highlands to enjoy easy, quick, high quality recreation, nature, and open spaces. It's like having a huge public park in our backyard, but we just need access to it. An easy investment for the city to provide access to a huge area would be treasured for generations for neighborhood enjoyment.

Thank you for your time listening to my comment,

Gabriel Thorburn Calabasas Highlands Homeowner