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City of Santa Clarita
Planning Commission Members

Dear Commissioners,

In anticipation of the meeting to be held on January 19th next week on the topic of the proposed Sand Canyon Resort project, I am corresponding with each of you to voice my strong support for this project.

I have previously written to you prior to the previous hearing for this project. As noted then, I have been a resident and homeowner of the Sand Canyon community for over 40 years. I and my wife have been a resident of the Robinson Ranch community for over 16 years (we are one of the original 9 homeowners in the community). I have been on the Robinson Ranch HOA Board for about 14 years, serving in a number of positions including President for 7 years. The opinions I am expressing herein are only mine as a resident in the community and not as a spokesperson for the HOA.

The Canyon Country area of the City of Santa Clarita has evolved much slower compared to other areas of the Santa Clarita Valley. Many (or most) of the residents spend time and money travelling to the other areas of the City to obtain goods and services. One of the major changes to the area will be the Vista Canyon project as it moves towards completion.

I strongly believe that the proposed hotel and resort will add a significant positive resource to Canyon Country and the City of Santa Clarita. It will definitely combine well with the Vista Canyon project business services. What an opportunity to bring more visitors and guests to our Valley. They will come for events at the new resort as well as events held throughout the valley.

The owner of the Golf Course and future resort, Steve Kim, has “rescued” the entire facility after the devastating drought and subsequent fires. It was a defining moment when Mr. Kim chose to cleanup, rebuild and expand the golf facilities into a destination resort. This represented a significant personal investment on his part.

In so doing, he helped to preserve the value of many homes in the Sand Canyon community. He has always been a very good neighbor to the Robinson Ranch community by being very responsive and supportive of any of our requests for cooperation or improvements.

Finally, with Mr. Kim’s continued efforts to adequately and properly respond to all EIR concerns, I am confident that the Sand Canyon Hotel and Resort will meet all City Planning requirements and fit well into the Sand Canyon community.

I respectfully ask that you approve the project for its eventual completion.

Regards,

Steve Sturgeon