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## May 3, 2023

Building Grant Library Facilities Improvement Program California State Library 914 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Building Forward Library Facilities Improvement Program Funding Request of \$4 million from the City of Sunnyvale for Lakewood Branch Library and Learning Center Construction

Dear Building Forward Grant Administrators:

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, we respectfully submit a Building Forward Library Facilities Improvement Program funding request for \$4,000,000 to build the Lakewood Branch Library and Learning Center located at 760 Lakechime Drive.

**Larry Klein** Mayor

**Omar Din** Vice Mayor

Russ Melton Councilmember

Alysa Cisneros Councilmember

Richard Mehlinger Councilmember

Murali Srinivasan Councilmember

Linda Sell Councilmember The City and two local school districts are partnering to build this 20,000 square foot facility. It will be a primary resource for literacy, learning and wellness for north Sunnyvale. This area currently has less access to services. Its diverse population also has income and education inequities. The new Library will address this by supporting education, skill development and personal growth. This will strengthen quality of life and contribute to a healthy local economy.

This project will:

- Leverage local resources provided by the City and two school districts
- Foster creative expression, education, skill development, and personal enrichment for all ages
- Create a community hub to help residents shape their quality of life
- Contribute to healthy living and stronger neighborhoods
- Achieve sustainability goals with LEED Gold design

Thank you for considering our request. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Michelle Perera, Director Library and Recreation Services at <u>mperera@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Larry Klein

Larry Klein Mayor cc: City Council Kent Steffens, City Manager Teri Silva, Assistant City Manager Michelle Perera, Director Library and Recreation Services