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SUBJECT: Funding for a new Larkspur Library at The Commons

Dear Mr. Jennings:

I am writing this letter to let you know that the County has set aside \$100,000 to support the project to build a new Larkspur Library located at The Commons. These funds would come from our community infrastructure fund and are subject to formal approval by the Board of Supervisors.

The County recognizes that the Larkspur Public Library enriches the lives of Marin residents by providing services and resources to fulfill their information, recreational and cultural interests. It also provides a space and opportunities to gather and connect, and serves a wide demographic of ethnicity and race, income level, and age. The new library will address current equity challenges by improving accessibility and by increasing the amount of available parking and program space.

We understand that the City of Larkspur applied for funding through the State Library's Building Forward Infrastructure Grant program and has recently been informed that the state will match the County's contribution. As the designated non-profit partner to the City of Larkspur, The Commons Foundation (TCF) has pledged to raise \$5M in funds for building Phase 1 of the new modern library at The Commons and is within \$600,000 of achieving that goal. Once you have secured all necessary funds, you can work with our office to prepare a service agreement to secure the County funds.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "MHymel".

Matthew H. Hymel
County Administrator