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Office of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi
1236 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Letter of Support for Senior Ex-Offender Program Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project.

Speaker Emeritus Nancy Pelosi,

I am writing to support the Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services program titled **"Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project."**

San Francisco's jail count has increased exponentially since the pandemic. Averaging more than 800 inmates during the 2020 pandemic to today's jail count of nearly 1200 inmates (April 24, 2024 data), our Department is experiencing an almost 50 percent increase from our 2020 numbers. San Francisco incarceration rates are increasing while funding for programming and infrastructure has not.

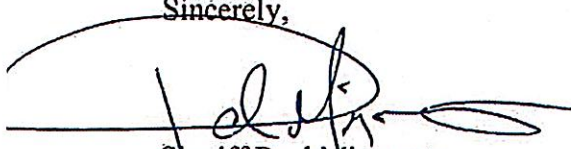
Upon hearing that the Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services would be applying for an appropriation grant with your office to create a "Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project" in the Southeast part of the city, I was eager to support. Expanding re-entry services, especially services targeting the Southeast neighborhoods of San Francisco, is a win for our Department, particularly our Department's jail discharge planners. For the past four decades, the San Francisco Sheriff's Department has been nationally recognized for its rehabilitating programs and deep connection to community-based agencies. The SEOP has been connected to our Department since the late Dr. George Davis founded it in 2000.

The SEOP expansion hub would create a state-of-the-art, brick-and-mortar site for re-entry services in Southeast neighborhoods of Bayview Hunters Point, Vistacion Valley, and Potrero Hill. The Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project would resolve a tremendous capacity and infrastructure problem that our aging population faces.

For over 24 years, SEOP has assisted hundreds of 50-year-old and older ex-offenders in their successful reintegration back into the community. SEOP has healed and eradicated familial traumas that have plagued too many families in San Francisco's Southeast neighborhoods. This site would work in partnership with our Department in serving senior ex-offenders who are 50 years or older.

In closing, this project aligns with our own goals to reduce recidivism numbers in San Francisco. I fully support this project, and I urge you to give your full support to the Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project.

Sincerely,



Sheriff Paul Miyamoto



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May 2, 2024

Re: Letter of Support for Senior Ex-Offender Program Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project.

Dear Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi,

I am writing this letter to express my strong support for the Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services program titled, **"Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project."**

The SEOP expansion hub would create a state of the art, brick and mortar site for re-entry services in my district which encompasses the Southeast neighborhoods of Bayview Hunters Point, Visitacion Valley and Potrero Hill. Public Safety is a core issue in my district; as well as the need for rehabilitative services for justice involved individuals returning to the community after periods of incarceration. The Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project would resolve a tremendous capacity and infrastructure problem that my district presently face in the area of re-entry services to individuals 50 years old and older.

For over 24 years of existence, SEOP has assisted hundreds of 50 years and older ex-offenders in their successful reintegration back into community. SEOP has healed and eradicated familial traumas that have plagued too many families in San Francisco's Southeast neighborhoods. This expansion would robustly increase the service delivery of criminal justice programming to previously justice involved individuals living in the southeast sector of the City. It would also stand as the community arm for the San Francisco Sheriff's Department, Adult Probation Departments, and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Services for senior ex-offenders being released back into the community. Funding this project would be crucial in supporting my district's ongoing battle to reduce recidivisms rates.

Furthermore, this project would further advance the incredible work of the late Dr. George Davis who created and designed SEOP based on the needs of individuals returning home from periods of incarceration. SEOP has always focused on not just the offending individual but the generational curses that happen once an individual is incarcerated, and the grave impact incarceration has on community, law enforcement relationships, and neighborhood vitality.

In closing, this project aligns with my supervisorial goals of creating a more just and equitable District 10 for all residents. I urge you to give your full support to the Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project. Your advocacy and leadership on this issue will make a meaningful difference in the lives of senior ex-offenders throughout San Francisco's Southeast neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Shamann Walton', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Supervisor Shamann Walton
San Francisco Board of Supervisors, District 10



City and County of San Francisco Adult Probation Department

*Protect and Serve the Community, Further Justice, Inspire Change,
and Prioritize Racial Equity so that all People May Thrive*

Cristel M. Tullock, MSW
Chief Adult Probation Officer

May 2, 2024

Re: Letter of Support for Senior Ex-Offender Program Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project.

Dear Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi:

The Adult Probation Department (APD) is providing this letter of support for Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services program titled, **"Re-Entry Hub: Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) Community and Rehabilitation Center Expansion Project."**

The San Francisco Adult Probation Department values the individuality and diversity of justice-involved adults, recognizing the unique challenges they face, and investing in their success through services designed to help them permanently exit the criminal justice system. We extend a continuum of integrated services to address our client's criminogenic needs and empower them to become productive members of the community. SFAPD dedicates endless energy towards enhancing public safety, seeking victim restoration and accountability, and providing structured and evidence-based supervision.

The Adult Probation Department has created a portfolio of evidence based supports and services that are specifically designed to meet the diverse needs of any current or formerly justice involved individual that resides in San Francisco. Our Community Assessment Service Center (CASC), serves as a citywide services center providing a host of housing programs, mental health and substance use dependency treatment, as well educational and vocational services. All of our services are designed to remove barriers, address criminogenic needs and help our population intrinsically motivate to restore their lives.

The success of our model also relies on a multitude of service providers and partners that we contract with to engage our clients, provide case management services, and to support them on their journey. One of our most valued partnerships is with the Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services nonprofit's Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP).

APD supports SEOP's goal of creating a brick and mortar space that provides enhanced support services to their clients. We know that when a person enters an establishment for services that if the environment looks welcoming and safe, that they will respond in a positive way.

We strongly recommend that the Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services, Senior Ex-Offender Program (SEOP) receive full funding.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Thank you.

Cristel M. Tullock

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Chief Probation Officer