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Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District Board
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San Anselmo, CA 94960

Dear Sirs,

I am writing in support of your project to rebuild the Sleepy Hollow Community Center to serve not only as a community center but also as an emergency shelter and command center if needed in the event of a large emergency incident or county-wide disaster. One possible disaster we face in Marin County is the real probability of a catastrophic earthquake. The vulnerability of the San Francisco Bay Area to earthquakes is well known.

According to the 2008 *Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast* the probability of a magnitude 6.7 or greater earthquake in the Bay Area within the next 30 years is 63 percent. An earthquake of this magnitude will result in widespread and catastrophic damage.

I understand that emergency specific features of the building will include emergency power, fuel and emergency drinking water sufficient for at least 96 hours, multiple backup communications systems, Red Cross compliant sleeping accommodations for at least 65 people, equipment storage for neighborhood emergency response teams, and battery and cell phone chargers that could all be used to great advantage during any disaster.

Emergency shelters such as the one you propose can be a great asset to the county during a disaster when they are built, stocked and staffed to Red Cross and generally accepted emergency management standards. We look forward to working with you to include your project to our list of resources for Marin County Emergency Preparedness.

Best regards,

Chris Reilly
Emergency Services Manager
Marin County Sheriff's Office

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