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To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of Lake County's Board of Supervisors, we are pleased to express our support for Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California's Barnes Street housing project.

We are committed to working with Lake County's seven sovereign Tribal Nations, including Middletown Rancheria, to address housing insecurity problems for rural vulnerable community members, who may be at-risk of becoming homeless, are currently experiencing different spectrums of homelessness, or chronically homeless.

We support the mission of the Barnes Street Project as it will help provide housing opportunities, serving the diverse socioeconomic needs for low-income and moderate-income households. Furthermore, this project will help the community meet the housing availability needs for families who experienced a severe housing shortage during the 2015 Valley Fire. Lake County looks forward to assisting the families entering the Barnes Street housing project to ensure that their financial needs, medical/mental health needs, and family needs are met to prevent households from re-entering the homeless population. These services include but are not limited to CalWORKs programs, Cal Fresh programs, Medical, Housing Vouchers and housing stipends.

We hope that California Department of Housing and Community Development strongly considers Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California's housing project and the innovative approach it can provide, with this vibrant Tribal government working with County departments to ensure equitable housing and services are met for all Middletown's community members.

Respectfully,

COUNTY OF LAKE

Bruno Sabatier

Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors