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Community Development Department
Attn: Planning Commission
255 N. Forbes St.
Lakeport, CA 95453

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Letter of Support for:
Highland Farms UP 20-96

Dear Chariman Sabatier and Honorable Members of the Board,

I am writing to offer my unwavering support for Autumn Karcey and her company, Highland Farms UP 20-96. My name is Stormy Simon, and I bring over twenty years of experience in leadership and business management as the former President of Overstock.com and CEO of High Times. This extensive background has equipped me with the expertise to assess the qualifications of business professionals.

I first met Autumn Karcey in 2016 within an industry where women cultivators are notably scarce. It was clear from our initial interaction that Autumn possesses deep expertise in cannabis cultivation and excels in designing and developing cultivation facilities and manufacturing labs. Her company, Cultivo Inc., has demonstrated remarkable credibility and sustainability through its successful development of legal cannabis facilities worldwide.

On a personal level, I have witnessed Autumn's deep-rooted commitment to environmental stewardship, instilled by her upbringing in Maui, Hawaii. Her parents' influence taught her to value all living things and recognize plants as medicine. This background assures me that her farm will actively contribute to research and development with a focus on medicinal advancement.

Autumn has consistently shown a dedication to maintaining a sustainable environment and ensuring that her community remains unaffected by negative impacts. Based on my knowledge of her work and principles, I am confident that Highland Farms is in exceptionally capable hands.

I highly recommend Autumn Karcey and Highland Farms to the Lake County Board of Supervisors. Should you have any questions about this recommendation, please feel free to reach out to me directly at the email below.

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