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January 28, 2016

Amy Whiteford  
P.O. Box 475  
Rutherford, CA 94573

Planning Commission  
County of Napa  
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Napa, CA 94559

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The proposed winery improvements fit within their property with minimal impacts to their neighbors, the community and the Carneros region. I have known Chris Kajani (Winemaker/GM) both personally and professionally for 13 years, and have seen firsthand her devotion to our community and dedication to the preservation of the Napa Valley Ag Preserve and the Napa Valley's grape growing/wine making industry.

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As a Napa Valley viticulturist, I support the approval of their Use Permit Major Modification and Variance applications, and request that you vote to allow these winery improvements to be built.

Sincerely,

Amy Whiteford  
Viticulturist  
Orin Swift Cellars  
P.O. Box 475, Rutherford, CA 94573



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Evyn Cameron  
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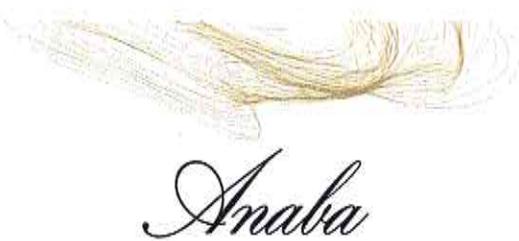
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Anaba Wines  
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February 2, 2016

Jim Duane  
2061 Curry Lane  
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. M. D.", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jim Duane  
winemaker, Seavey Vineyard  
1310 Conn Valley Rd  
St Helena, CA ~~94555~~  
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January 29, 2016

Philip Zorn  
1005 Jefferson Street  
Napa CA 94559

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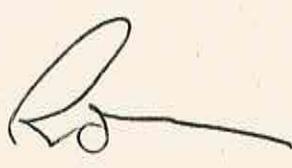
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Sincerely,



Philip Zorn  
General Partner  
Anders-Lane Artisan Wines  
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