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# MIDCOAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Princeton, El Granada, Moss Beach, Montara and Miramar

September 15, 1992

Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County Government Center  
401 Marshall Street  
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: **Measure D**

Honorable Members of the Board:

At its meeting of September 9, 1992, the MidCoast Community Council unanimously voted to take a position in opposition to Measure D on this November's ballot. Although the subject site is not within the area of the Council's jurisdiction, we believe that the impacts of the Heritage project on coastside infrastructure would have profound effects on the area within our purview. We also oppose the initiative on the basis of the precedent it would establish for urban sprawl outside of the incorporated boundaries of Half Moon Bay or beyond the urban/rural boundary in the unincorporated County.

We also believe it is important for the Board of Supervisors to take a position on Measure D for the following reasons:

1. Voter confusion.

Information provided by initiative supporters in collecting signatures to qualify Measure D for the ballot and in subsequent documents have confused the issues of process versus project for the electorate. Initiative backers have emphasized benefits of a supposed project, although Measure D deals only with an exemption of a particular site from a public vote and does not mandate a future development proposal.

2. Extent of deviation from the LCP.

Based on the analysis of County staff, the conceptual project being discussed by the Heritage Corporation would exceed the allowable density credits for the site by hundreds. This extent of variance from the LCP is unprecedented and should be opposed, even in

the vague terms that the project has been defined.

3. Support for the public review process established by Measure A.

The initiative supporters have not provided adequate justification for Measure D. They argue against the public vote mandated by Measure A due to the time and expense involved, and yet are apparently willing to send the time and money for such a vote now, prior to defining the project.

The Board should support the Measure A process which provides for a more informed electorate, including a vote on an actual description of the project and necessary LCP amendments, input from an EIR and the benefit of a Board of Supervisor vote on the project.

Sincerely,

Kit Dove  
Chairman