



CITY OF SAN BRUNO

Rico E. Medina
Mayor

September 19, 2022

Mr. James Conforti, Interim President & CEO
Sutter Health
2200 River Plaza Drive
Sacramento, CA 95833

Dear Mr. Conforti,

On behalf of the City of San Bruno, I am writing to urge Sutter Health to reopen the Mack E. Mickelson Arthritis and Rehabilitation Center Therapy Pool. If this is not feasible, I strongly implore you to consider the Peninsula Health Care District's offer to pay all costs to repair, reopen, and manage the pool.

Built using charitable contributions from residents of San Mateo County over 25 years ago, this is the only facility of its kind in San Mateo County.

Closing the Mickelson Therapy Pool removes a valuable healthcare resource for people in San Mateo County who suffer from health issues related to permanent disabilities, debilitating injuries, autoimmune disorders, and mobility impairments.

The City of San Bruno stands with Speaker Pro Tempore Kevin Mullin, Senator Josh Becker, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, the Sequoia Healthcare District, and 4,300+ patients, caregivers, and community members who have written letters or signed a petition urging Sutter Health to reopen Mickelson Pool to increase the health, independence, and dignity of residents who rely upon it.

On behalf of the City of San Bruno, I respectfully urge you to promptly reopen the Mack E. Mickelson Arthritis and Rehabilitation Center therapy pool for community use with the same open access hours that it had prior to January of 2020 or consider the Peninsula Health Care District's offer to pay all costs to repair, reopen, and manage the pool.

Sincerely,

Rico E. Medina, Mayor

cc: Sutter Health Board of Directors
Janet Wagner, CEO, Sutter Health Mills-Peninsula Medical Center
Peninsula Health Care District Board of Directors
Lindsay Raike, CEO, Warm Water Wellness Inc.

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