

Mr. Warner Thomas
President and CEO
Sutter Health
2200 River Plaza Drive
Sacramento, CA 95833

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Re: Mack E. Mickelson Arthritis and Rehabilitation Center Therapy Pool

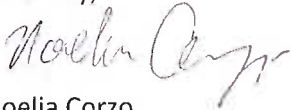
Dear Mr. Thomas,

I am writing in support of the reopening of the Mack E. Mickelson Arthritis and Rehabilitation Center Therapy Pool for community use. As District Two Supervisor, I sympathize with those community members who relied upon the pool before its closing in March 2020. Lack of access has led previous users to suffer diminished physical, emotional, and mental health. Closing the Mickelson pool removed an essential healthcare resource for San Mateo County residents.

The Mickelson Therapy Pool is the only facility of its kind in San Mateo County. Residents who suffer from health issues including permanent disabilities, debilitating injuries, autoimmune disorders, and mobility impairments, among others, used the Mickelson pool to rehabilitate those health issues and mitigate their physical decline. Sadly, there are no comparable warm water, ADA-accessible, therapy pools on the Peninsula able to adequately accommodate these residents.

I encourage Sutter Health to reverse its decision to close the Mickelson Therapy Pool and to engage with the Peninsula Health Care District, the Sequoia Healthcare District, and the County of San Mateo who have expressed willingness to assist with the cost of restoring and operating the Mickelson Pool for the benefit of their residents.

Sincerely,



Noelia Corzo
San Mateo County District Two Supervisor

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