From: Peter Pham
To: City Council

Subject: Recommendation of Emily Ramos for vacant seat

Date: Thursday, January 26, 2023 12:19:36 PM

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Mayor Hicks and Members of the Council City of Mountain View

Subject: Recommendation of Emily Ramos to fill Council vacancy

Members of the Council:

The Santa Clara county chapter of the California League of Conservation Voters (SCCLCV) recommends that you fill the vacancy on your Council with Emily Ramos. Emily has been active on environmental and housing issues, which we think are critical to the future for your citizens.

Mountain View has been a leader in Santa Clara county on those issues, and we think Emily will help continue that fine record.

Sincerely,

Peter Pham
Board Member
Santa Clara League of Conservation Voters, sccclev.org



From: <u>Katherine Causey</u>

To: <u>City Council; , City Clerk; Abe-Koga, Margaret; Matichak, Lisa; Showalter, Pat; Hicks, Alison; Kamei, Ellen;</u>

Ramirez, Lucas

Subject: Supporting Emily Ramos for Appointment **Date:** Friday, January 27, 2023 10:53:26 AM

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Dear Mayor Hicks, Vice Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Abe-Koga, Kamei, Matichak and Ramirez,

I'm a former local tenant organizer who has worked with vulnerable populations facing eviction during the pandemic and I am writing to ask you to appoint Emily Ramos to Mountain View City Council.

Emily has demonstrated that she cares deeply for the city of Mountain View and the broader community by continuing to engage with a variety of different community groups over many years. As a member of the Rental Housing Committee and as the current Vice-Chair, Emily works to implement a law that protects 15,000 families from significant rent increases and evictions. Being an RHC member provided her the experience that most closely reflects the role she should play on the City Council. Through the RHC, she has provided oversight, has participated in closed session, and carefully ensures that our City does not face legal liability. In addition as a board member of the Community Services Agency, Emily connected many residents to receive assistance to prevent them from losing their homes during the pandemic. For her many community efforts, State Senator Josh Becker named Emily the Senate District 13 Woman of the Year in 2022.

As we work through the current stage of the pandemic, I believe having someone who has supported those most vulnerable to losing their housing is an incredibly important perspective. Particularly during this housing element cycle when how the city is elevating and supporting renters and other populations at risk of housing insecurity is taken into consideration by HCD.

Thank you!

Katie Causey