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RE: Application # M-2020-002

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Catherine Chen, a Cupertino State Farm Agent and a leader in the business community in the City of Cupertino. This is in relation to her property at 20130 Stevens Creek Boulevard.

Ms. Chen has made many attempts to find a tenant to share the available space at her property, but has struggled, even before the pandemic, to fill the storefront. There are multiple challenges facing the space, including lack of parking, and as such, Ms. Chen is not only losing money monthly, but the City has another empty space that could be used productively to serve the needs of the Cupertino community.

I am encouraging the City of Cupertino to work with Ms. Chen to address this situation, and explore other options for tenants for that space. Ms. Chen is a leader in our community, a member of the City of Cupertino Chamber of Commerce, and has worked closely to support the needs of disadvantaged members of our community by championing the work of West Valley Community Services. Furthermore, in her role as an insurance agent, her work is focused on caring for community members and their families.

I am hopeful our City can show the same care in working with Ms. Chen to find a solution to fill this space.

Sincerely,

Josh Selo
Executive Director

OUR MISSION: Uniting the community to fight hunger and homelessness.

OUR VISION: A community where every person has food on the table and every person has a roof over their head.

OUR VALUES: Compassion, Dignity, Integrity, Service, Diversity, Ingenuity