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Co-Chairs Teresa Alvarado and David Pandori General Plan Task Force 4 Year Review Members City of San José 200 E. Santa Clara St. San José, CA 95113

RE: Coyote Valley in San Jose General Plan 4-Year Review

Dear Co-Chairs Alvarado and Pandori and General Plan Task Force Members.

On behalf of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group I am pleased to convey our support for the preservation of Coyote Valley as open space land for recreational, agricultural, and other appropriate open space uses.

The Leadership Group is driven by more than 350 member companies to proactively tackle issues to improve our communities and strengthen our economy and has long worked to protect the natural environment that sustains us and provides so much joy to all those that live and work in the region.

Preserving open spaces such as Coyote Valley is consistent with the principles of using urban land wisely. We support focusing development where it makes the most sense – in close proximity to transit. Infill development strengthens our economy and protects our environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reduces painful commute times for workers who get time back with their families.

Keeping Coyote Valley as open space will help secure the environmental sustainability of our region and protect existing infrastructure, commercial businesses, and homes from the impacts of floods and various climate change-induced threats.

Conservation of Coyote Valley is important for climate resilience, wildlife, clean water supply, agriculture, and open space for recreational purposes.

We look forward to working with the city on open space provisions that are consistent with the values and needs of our member companies and the community

Sincerely,

Vince Rocha

Senior Director, Housing and Community Development

Silicon Valley Leadership Group