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To Whom It May Concern,

350 Contra Costa Action (350CCA) was formed in 2022 to take stronger climate action through legislation and electing responsive local public officials. It is affiliated with 350 Bay Area Action. Contra Costa is a county with four oil refineries, a number of oil wells, and a diverse population of 1.2 million people, including disadvantaged Black and Brown communities. Contra Costa County presents unique opportunities to work toward an end to fossil fuel dependence while fostering environmental justice.

Lou Flores is a retired Special Education teacher that is working on our Communications and Legislative Teams. In his capacity he has staffed numerous tabling events, participated in three lobby days in Sacramento, and has consistently participated in bi-weekly planning and debriefing meetings to further 350 CCAs goals.

He has numerous personal qualities and work skills that our organization appreciates. Most recently he recruited a retired marketing professional that has tremendously assisted in our marketing efforts. Not only does he consistently work with fellow members of 350 CCA, but he also collaborates with numerous other organizations in achieving mutual goals. He is currently working with a coalition named CACTI (Communities Against Carbon Transport & Injection). Finally, he also joined the East Bay Clean Air Coalition and recently gave a presentation to that group on Websites which are resources for data related to Environmental Justice.

Our organization endorses Lou Flores for the Environmental Organization Seat on the Contra Costa Hazardous Materials Commission.

Sincerely, Lisa Jackson Co-Founder of 350 Contra Costa Action