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Consider Plan Amendment Application No. A-17-004, Rezone Application No. R-17-006, Development Code Text Amendment Application No. TA-17-004 and related environmental finding filed by the Development and Resource Management Department Director pertaining to 174.6 acres of property as follows: (Citywide)

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Clint Olivier Council President District 7 2600 Fresno Street, Room 2097 Fresno, CA 93721

Dear Council President Olivier and Council members,

Central Valley Children's Services Network (CSN) is a non-profit agency that provides free child care referrals and resources to parents in Fresno County.

We are committed to improving the quality of child care by offering opportunities for advancement in early childhood education to all child care providers. We also offer technical assistance regarding the business aspects in a child care setting.

In August of 2016 a survey was conducted by CSN and the Child Care Law Center to determine the interest to increase the child care supply in Fresno County. The survey results demonstrated that the providers in Fresno City did not have an interest in increasing capacity due to the high cost and burdensome city requirements. After a careful analysis of the conditional use permit requirements and zoning ordinances it was determined that the language was not consistent with State law and therefore needed to be updated.

As the Child Care Resource and Referral agency for Fresno County, we support the City of Fresno in moving forward to update the zoning ordinances to comply with the State law and taking into consideration the suggested language to article 27, Section 15-2725 made by the Child Care Law Center. We agree that all Large Family Child Care Homes must obtain a Conditional Use Permit and as long as the CUP requirements do not exceed those outlined in 15-2725.

We oppose to the expiration date of seven years from the date of approval. Community Care Licensing is the regulatory agency; they issue the facility license and are responsible for routine Health and Safety inspections. Therefore this agency should be the one deciding if the child care home is in compliance to remain open and for what length of time. We are looking forward to the policies changes to minimize the application process to make sure more providers apply to obtain the CUP and therefore increase the child care slots in the city of Fresno.

Thank you for your time and your consideration of our request. I can be reach at 456-8195

Sincerely,

Mirna Len-F.I.N.D Care Manager Central Valley Children's Services Network 1911 N Helm Ave, Fresno, CA 93727