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City Council of Calistoga

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Julio Ambriz, an employee at the Recreation Department for the City of Calistoga. Julio has been a friend, an inspiration, and a loyal supporter for the past four years. He has been a part of the Calistoga community and a valued liaison for the Hispanic community for the past ten years.

When I first met Julio four years ago, he was kind enough to help me get the football program at Calistoga High School back on track. He talked to many of the young men at the high school and convinced them to play for the football team. He was on the coaching staff until his job would not permit it anymore. He has also been involved in the track and golf programs at the high school over the years. Time and again he has contributed back to the high school from which he graduated.

I realize that this community, like all communities in California at this point in time, is having a rough go of it financially, but I think it is such a shame that someone so valuable to the Calistoga community, and to the young people in Calistoga in general, has to be let go. I know that everyone has to look out for themselves, but I think that it would make much more sense to give all employees a small pay cut instead of sacrificing one valuable employee.

I hope that you will take my comments seriously. I know that I am not the only one who thinks that Julio is a value to the Calistoga community. It would be such a shame to lose him.

Sincerely,

Mike Ervin, Football Coach

Calistoga High School

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