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Subject: RE: Letter of Recommendation for Steve Galvez

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February 4, 2026

**City of Jurupa Valley
Planning Department / City Council
8930 Limonite Avenue
Jurupa Valley, CA 92509**

Re: Letter of Recommendation for Proposed Self-Storage Development

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in strong support of the proposed self-storage development by Steve Galvez in the City of Jurupa Valley. This project represents a thoughtful balance between responsible development, environmental preservation, and a demonstrated commitment to serving the needs of the Riverside County community.

Self-storage facilities are increasingly essential infrastructure in Riverside County, where population growth, housing transitions, and small business activity continue to place demand on secure and accessible storage solutions. This development will directly address a documented and growing need while doing so in a manner that is both efficient and community-conscious.

Importantly, the project has been designed to have minimal visual and environmental impact. Of the total 85-acre site, approximately 79 acres—nearly the entirety of the property—will be permanently donated and held within a real estate conservancy. This extraordinary contribution ensures long-term environmental protection, preservation of open space, and stewardship of the natural landscape for future generations.

The property owner is a philanthropic individual with a genuine commitment to environmental responsibility and community well-being. This project reflects not only sound planning principles, but also the owner's good character, integrity, and desire to give back in a meaningful and lasting way. Few developments offer such a significant conservation benefit alongside a practical community use.

For these reasons, I respectfully recommend approval and support of this self-storage development. It is a project that aligns with the City of Jurupa Valley's goals for sustainable growth, environmental protection, and responsible land use, while providing a valuable service to residents and businesses throughout the region.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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