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Dear Mayor Sam Liccardo, Councilmember Dev Davis, Ms. Klein, and Ms. Walesh,

As a resident of District 6, I urge you to empower community members to decide how we spend community benefit funds from the San José Google project.

Our community has made clear that the Google project cannot destabilize our communities: it must include affordable homes, protection for tenants, and good jobs so that renters, low-wage workers, and people of color can stay here and thrive.

For Google's commitment to put millions of dollars into a San José Community Fund to be truly meaningful, our community must have real power over where this money goes. Specifically:

- 1. We need to ensure this fund is centered on addressing racial justice and the root causes of displacement and strengthening our communities of color, so we can all stay in our homes, work at good jobs, and pursue our dreams.
- 2. We need the governing board of this Fund to be made up of grassroots San Jose leaders from Black, Brown, Indigenous and Asian communities: individuals with firsthand experience living through, and fighting against racial injustice and displacement.
- 3. Grassroots community leaders on the Fund's board must have decision-making power over strategic and annual plans and yearly budgets, and the authority to monitor and evaluate the project's impact.

Sincerely,

Salvador Bustamante

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