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Napa City Council  
955 School Street  
Napa, CA 94559

RE: Public Art Ordinance

Dear City Council Members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Napa Chamber of Commerce, I am sending this letter in support of the Public Art Ordinance. Since the introduction of the Public Arts Ordinance in 2008, the Napa Chamber has been a strong voice in forming the final ordinance. While we have voiced a concern over the funding mechanism, we feel that the ordinance as presented meets the needs of the business community.

We understand that the process to administer this ordinance will run concurrent with other planning and entitlement processes. The Chamber's support is contingent on this and there not being any more time added to the overall processing timeframe.

The Arts play an important role by enhancing our economic vitality through a display that will help create a critical mass to areas of retail establishments that is important to the health and welfare of our community.

For these reasons we urge you to pass the Public Arts Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Lisa Batto, ACE  
President & CEO  
Napa Chamber of Commerce

cc: Council members  
Michael Parness, City Manager  
Dana Smith, Assistant City Manager