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Randall Reid-Smith, Commissioner
WV Division of Culture and History
The Culture Center
Capitol Complex
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
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Dear Commissioner,

I am writing to express my support for the Jefferson County Parks and Recreation Amphitheater Project. This project, which is to be located at Sam Michaels Park, is part of Jefferson County Parks and Recreation Commission's 10-year parks master plan. The plan serves as a roadmap for future development and decisions within the county parks system. It was presented to, and accepted by, the Jefferson County Parks and Recreation Commission and the Jefferson County Commission. The completion of the amphitheater project will help in fulfilling the master plan.

As a former President of Jefferson County Parks and Recreation Commission I enjoy seeing positive projects that will enhance our county parks and serve as a source of entertainment and revenue for our state. I believe that the type of events held at the amphitheater will draw people from neighboring states such as Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The Amphitheater Project is being developed in seven phases and phase one will consist of building the stage and a temporary roof system. While it will obviously not produce the large audiences of the finished project, I feel certain it will be

able to be utilized for the local community and should be an enhancement to the Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts Festival held annually at the park.

Again, I pledge my full support to this program and hope that you will give the project careful consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Espinosa". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and last name "Espinosa" clearly distinguishable.

Paul Espinosa, Chairman
Committee on Education
WV House of Delegates

cc: Ms. Jennifer Myers