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Dear Congressman McClintock,

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David Orr South Lake Tahoe My name is Kelly Seibert; I am writing to you on behalf of the South County Alliance, a non-profit community group under the fiscal sponsorship of the El Dorado Community Foundation. The South County Alliance (SCA) was formed in October 2021 to address the needs of our communities impacted by the Caldor Fire disaster. First, we would like to thank you for all you have done for our community and the support your office continues to provide as we navigate the aftermath of the fire.

As our town begins to rebuild, the SCA has set a goal of establishing a Grizzly Flats Community Center and Park. To date, we have raised over \$325,000 in seed funding. This Community Center will provide residents of Grizzly Flats with a designated place to gather for community events, connect with neighbors, vote, offer a safe place for their children to play, and reconnect with the beauty of this place we call home.

We aim to obtain 5-12 acres of El Dorado National Forest land contiguous to the acreage conveyed to the Pioneer School District for Walt Tyler Elementary school. Of the 40-acre parcel owned by the Forest Service, they have allocated 3 acres to Walt Tyler Elementary School. The centralized location of this property and the fact that we could coordinate with the school make this an ideal place to establish a community center and park. The Grizzly Flats Community Center could also be used as a command center or emergency shelter for the community during power outages or dangerous weather conditions.

We would greatly appreciate your support in aiding our endeavor to secure U.S. Forest Service land as the new home for our Grizzly Flats Community Center and Park. We would like to schedule a meeting with your office to discuss the issue in greater detail at your earliest availibility.

Sincerely,

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