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Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign the attached form to the United States Board on Geographic Names supporting the correction of spelling of the name of Gasparni Creek to Gasparini Creek.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

On October 19, 2020, the United States Board on Geographic Names submitted a request to El Dorado County to support their efforts to officially correct the spelling of Gasparni Creek to Gasparini Creek. The stream is located in the El Dorado National Forest near Chaix Mountain and Big X Mountain in the Fourth Supervisorial District. The stream was named for Giuseppe ("Joe" or "Joseph") Gasparini (1854-1937), a Swiss immigrant who was well-known in the early American settlement of the county and who was known as "Butcher Knife Joe" after saving himself from a mountain lion (or grizzly bear) attack using only a small four-inch knife. The proposal was submitted by Mr. Gasparini's great-granddaughter in order to correct the misspelling of the name. The stream is located in Secs10-12&1, T11N, R12E, Mount Diablo Meridian. Please see the attached proposal packet which includes a map.

If supported, the Board on Geographic Names will vote on the proposal to correct the spelling on Federal Maps and in Federal publications.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could choose to either oppose this request or choose not to take a position.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

Board to authorize and sign the U.S. Board on Geographic Names Geographic Name Proposal Recommendation

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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