November 1, 2010

San Francisco Board of Supervisors c/o Angela Calvilo (Clerk of the Board of Supervisors) 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am a resident of Parkmerced and a member of the Parkmerced Sustainability Committee. I support the Parkmerced development project.

The current owners of Parkmerced are actively working to make our neighborhood more environmentally sustainable. They initiated a Parkmerced Sustainability Committee, of which I am a member, and have already implemented many of our suggestions. I stand behind their efforts to create a more environmentally friendly community.

Unfortunately, Parkmerced's existing units are not environmentally friendly. The units have inadequate plumbing and electrical service, are poorly insulated and are generally wasteful of precious resources. The residents largely depend on automobiles because of a lack of bicycle and transit infrastructure. The Parkmerced Vision project responds to these concerns by implementing energy efficient units, new transit programs and infrastructure, and bicycle pathways. The project team also plans on using native plants and reducing water use lost through landscaping while beautifying our community.

I look forward to energy-efficient units, alternative energy sources, reduced water usage and improved access for bikes and walking. I urge you to support the Parkmerced project.

Sincerely.

Mike Smith