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City of Madison

Board of Parks Commissioners

210 Martin Luther King Junior Blvd

Room 104

Madison Wisconsin, 53703

Greetings Honorable Parks Commissioners,

Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison is providing this document in support of the Sustainability Campus proposed for the Yahara Hills Golf Course property. This project is an opportunity to move our community towards a circular economy, generate jobs and support our local economy, and create a destination for environmental education.

HCG-Madison sees an excellent opportunity to collaborate on curriculum and shared educational tours of the County's proposed site and the Ho-Chunk Nation's planned cultural center. HCG-Madison currently has a maintenance vehicle that runs on the County's landfill gas, and we are excited to build on our relationship to advance innovative renewable energy technologies in this area. Through the planned prairie establishment and wetland improvements, the County has shown it is committed to restoring the natural lands an identical ideal of both HCG-Madison and the Ho-Chunk Nation. We believe that we are the stewards of the land and this project helps us to maintain that responsibility.

HCG-Madison has planned an expansion of our campus, which will result in increase of jobs in the area along with the Sustainability Campus. We are excited about the potential economic value this project will create to the DeJope community. This would provide a great opportunity for new more diverse populations from the community to visit this area of DeJope. The County and City are proposing to maintain golf at the site and potentially offer additional recreational opportunities for the community. This component bodes well with HCG-Madison because we like to believe that entertainment and recreation complement each other.

Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison is looking forward to working with the Parks Commission, City of Madison and Dane County to bring this project and our project to fruition.

-Sincerely,

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Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison Business Development Director

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