

Dear Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority:

My name is David Ravins, a resident of Sullivan Canyon. I am writing you to be considered as a board member representing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the Sullivan Canyon Preservation Association

Sullivan Canyon is a special neighborhood that I am deeply invested in. I reside in my childhood home, having lived at 1809 Melhill Way for the last fifty-four years. My family and I have played an active role in the original development of the riding arena when the property was owned by the school board. For us, this riding area was about building community with our neighbors through horses.

The equestrian community of Sullivan Canyon has always been at the forefront of my mind. At seventeen years of age I did my Eagle Scout project on the squirrel cage trail, which is the trail that goes from the fire road up Sullivan Canyon to the ridge above Camp Josepho. My project was to upgrade the trail to make it safe for horses and individuals. Most of my life I have been dedicated to maintaining this community resource.

I have served on the SCPA board in the past for two terms for a total of four years. During my service I was responsible for the new office build, the tractor bay build, the shed, and the enclosed area where staff can keep their belongings and enjoy a meal on their breaks. I've taken on numerous other responsibilities and tasks in addition which I can detail, if the board would be interested.

One of the most gratifying experiences for me was being involved in the inner-city school program. I believe every child should have the opportunity to interact with horses. Witnessing a child's eyes light up and their faces smile when they were able to pet a horse was truly a fulfilling and meaningful experience. Horses in this community have always been an important part of my life, and I continue to work with horses daily.

I would like to thank you in advance for your consideration. I feel my reverence for our community and respect for preserving the riding field in a way that does not exploit it for commercial purposes is what is at stake now. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely

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OBJECTIVE:

Is to serve on the SCPA Board for MRCA, to get the inner-city program going again. Along with numerous other functions that have been let go. To make it a fair board for everybody.

EXPERIENCE:

Serving two terms 4 Years on the SCPA Board. Responsible for overall maintenance and building of new structures at SCPA. And communicating with the Home owners and horse community.

Transportation of horses.

Emergency evacuation during fires.

EDUCATION:

- *Bachelor of Science, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo 1985*
- *Directors Guild of America 2004*
- *California Real Estate License 1990*

