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Cade, please find attached my letter of support for their potential project. Thank you.

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Cade McNamara  
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Dear County of Humboldt Planning and Building Department,

On behalf of **Coldwell Banker Commercial Pacific Partners**, I am pleased to write this letter in support of Nordic Aquafarms' project planned for the Samoa Peninsula. Nordic Aquafarms focuses on fish welfare and environmental sustainability, and they employ proprietary recirculating aquaculture systems (RAS) with patented technology. The end-results are modules ready for truly large-scale RAS farming – and a key solution in contributing to increasing seafood supply without leaving a material environmental footprint.

The Nordic Aquafarms' project will provide many community benefits, including clean-up of a long-abandoned site containing hazardous materials, abandoned buildings and industrial debris. The project will also stimulate economic activity and provide a wide range of employment opportunities. In addition to what Nordic will directly contribute to our local economy, the Nordic project will be a draw for other aquaculture businesses on the peninsula, thereby increasing economic prosperity and employment opportunities for our region.

Nordic Aquafarms has been actively engaging in our community through public meetings, site tours and targeted outreach to stakeholders. Nordic is working closely with College of the Redwoods to revitalize their aquaculture program and with HSU to ensure a steady pipeline of local qualified professionals. Nordic is also working with the Humboldt County Office of Education to introduce information to students about careers in aquaculture and to offer support in classroom educational programs.

The Nordic team has gone to great lengths to be transparent, inclusive, and comprehensive in their research and sharing results throughout the public process and we are confident that they will be a benefit to our local economy as well as to our community. The **insert organization here** is pleased to support this project.

Sincerely,

*Scott Pesch*

President / Owner