



California Partnership for the
San Joaquin Valley

July 21, 2010

Tony Boren, Executive Director
Council of Fresno County Governments
2035 Tulare St., Ste. 201
Fresno CA 93721

Re: Partnership Board Member Nomination

Dear Mr. *Tony* Boren:

Per our previous conversation, I am writing to request that the Council of Fresno County Governments, an active participant in the work of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley (Partnership), contribute to the process of appointing a new Partnership Board Member.

Set in motion by Executive Order from Governor Schwarzenegger in June 2005 and most recently renewed in July 2010, the Partnership is an eight-county public-private partnership focused on improving the region's economic vitality and quality of life for the nearly 4 million residents who call the San Joaquin Valley home.

The board composition includes eight local elected officials, designed to each represent one county in the San Joaquin Valley. In Fresno County, we are asking you to recommend to the Partnership Executive Committee three nominees for Board membership to fill the seat that has been held by Mayor Ashley Swearengin. Preferably, these individuals will be ones that you have discussed the opportunity with and share a passion and commitment for joining our Board. If you would like to recommend three nominees, please rank them by order of your preference and provide contact information for your first choice.

We urge you to contact other Partnership Board member to discuss your recommendations and obtain any suggestions that they might provide. Attached for your reference is a board roster and sample letter for recommendation.

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Thank you for your leadership and participation in this issue. We look forward to working with you to support the appointment of a new board member. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone (559) 696-2524.

Sincerely,



Mike Dozier
Lead Executive

Cc: Partnership Board Members, Fresno County
James Aleru
Luisa Medina
Peter Weber



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Ashley Swearengin	<i>Partnership Deputy Chair, Mayor of Fresno</i>
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David Quackenbush	Representative, Central Valley Health Network
Jeff Rowe	Representative, Central California Workforce Collaborative
Fred Ruiz	Ruiz Foods
Lorraine Salazar	Sal's Mexican Restaurant
Paul Saldana	Representative, Central California Economic Development Corporation
Gene Voiland	Aera Energy, LLC [Retired]
Ray Watson	Kern County Board of Supervisors
Peter Weber	Representative, Federal Interagency Task Force

Sample Letter

*California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley
Christine Nutting, Office of the Secretariat (CSUF-OCED)
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Fresno, CA 93740*

Re: Partnership Board Member Nomination

Ms. Nutting:

*At the request of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley Executive Committee, the **Council of Fresno County Governments** is submitting three local elected officials for consideration to become Partnership Board Members. Each of the nominees listed below fulfill the criteria of a **local elected within Fresno County**.*

- 1. Name, Elected Office, Contact Information*
- 2. Name, Elected Office, Contact Information*
- 3. Name, Elected Office, Contact Information*