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Financial Services Item #29

Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

My name is Citlalli Inzunza Salazar, and I am 1 of the 3 Permit Technicians that work for the Yolo County Department of Community Services. I started my journey with Yolo County, January 2025, about one year and four months. I am writing this letter today to request that you please reconsider the proposed elimination of (2) Permit Technician positions, leaving Yolo County with only (1) Permit Technician.

I understand that these decisions are not easy and are not meant to be easy, so I want to thank you for your time and for this opportunity.

This decision will have a major impact on not only my life, but my family's life as well. I recently moved into my first home with my wife. We were so excited for this next chapter of life but got hit by the unexpected news that my job is on the line. This news has brought a ton of sadness/stress in a time when life is supposed to be happy. This decision will put financial stress on me and my family's life making it harder to cover the essentials like: groceries, electricity, water, etc... It makes me very sad to even think that I will be losing not just a job, but a family. Yolo County has felt like a home to me, since the moment I was hired.

The Permit Technician position is the face of the Department of Community Services. We are the first contact when customers come in. Permit technicians are important because we keep the entire permitting process efficient, accurate, and accessible. By catching incomplete or incorrect applications early, we prevent delays that could slow down construction or development projects. We also serve as a key point of contact for the public, helping people understand complex requirements and reduce confusion. We coordinate between departments, ensure projects move smoothly through reviews, all while doing proper record-keeping and fee handling to maintain compliance with regulations.

Without multiple permit technicians, the process would be slower and much harder for applicants too. Also, this decision will leave (1) Permit Technician with all the workload and responsibilities, which may not be feasible and will lead to burnout. This, in turn, will affect the overall customer experience and service.

Please reconsider the decision of eliminating (2) Permit Technician positions. Again, thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Citlalli Inzunza Salazar