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Dear Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors,

I've been a resident of Santa Cruz County District 5 since 1996, but being a full time mom while having a full time job and trying to juggle career, family, home, and health, I have not found time to be politically active or to write to elected officials until now. I also recently joined the Indivisible Santa Cruz Environmental Group.

While I am still juggling career, family, home and health, I am extremely concerned about what humans are doing to our planet. Once ecosystems are destroyed and species have gone extinct, very extreme measures and vast amounts of money, as well as decades to centuries of effort, will be required to generate any hope of bringing some of these natural resources back, not to mention the need for highly advanced (and potentially dangerous) technologies, many of which do not yet exist today. I am very worried that if we are unable to adjust our behavior now, to conserve our existing ecosystems and species, how can we rationally hope that humanity will see the light and be willing to change its behaviour later to bring back our natural resources?

I know you understand that our natural resources underpin everything that humans care about – our economy, our health and well-being, our food and water, climate resiliency, protection from the spread of zoonotic diseases (e.g. Covid-19), etc.

One step we can take is to create legislation that requires corporations to change the behaviors that are harmful to the environment or to make them pay into a fund to remedy the harm they have created.

I am asking you as a Board to discuss and create a resolution in support of the Polluters Pay Climate Support Superfund Act (SB684/AB1243) as one such piece of legislation, and to show your individual support by signing on to this letter: <https://protectingamerica.net/ca/casuperfund/>.

Thank you very much for considering this request.

Sincerely,
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