

Item 9B Code of Conduct Complaint

From Mary Seamount <mseamount@yahoo.com>
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To City Council <citycouncil@ci.capitola.ca.us>

Dear Capitola City Council,

I urge you to dismiss the complaint against Councilmember Orbach. She has the right and responsibility to speak openly about harassment and to protect her family.

She has acknowledged her mistake in naming the harasser and acted in good faith. After seeking mediation to resolve conflict, the harassment against her only escalated.

The complaint is clearly retaliatory and continued harassment. To discipline her for speaking truthfully about harassment would set a dangerous precedent and send a chilling message to every woman and every parent who raises children to stand up for themselves. Please do not reward intimidation.

Capitola deserves leaders who value integrity over intimidation, and who protect the right to safety and civility in public life.

Sincerely,

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