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City of Fruita Members of the City Council 325 East Aspen Fruita, CO 81521

RE: Grant application for 2022 funding for One Riverfront

Dear Members of the City Council:

One Riverfront has been actively participating since 1987, in a county-wide Riverfront Project of trails and open space. We would like to continue working with our government partners and elected officials on this vision. Our partnerships have allowed the Riverfront Project to become a great, multi community-connector. We ask for your continued financial support.

One Riverfront is comprised of the Colorado Riverfront Commission, the working arm and the Colorado Riverfront Foundation, Inc., (RFF) a 503(c) non-profit. While the connection from Grand Junction to Fruita is complete, we still have missing links to finish the Riverfront Project connection to Palisade. Our priority connections are west from Palisade to Clifton and east from Palisade to the Cameo Education and Shooting Complex.

The quality of life and healthy lifestyles we all pursue are enhanced by the Riverfront Project. One Riverfront sees the project as an economic boost. Visitors, tourists and businesses that might relocate to the Grand Valley, can see the value of the Riverfront Project as well.

We strongly support One Riverfront's grant request to the City of Fruita for \$4,579. We would also like to point out that One Riverfront is asking for our first funding increase since 2007, which shows how fiscally responsible One Riverfront is with funding.

Sincerely,

Fred Barbero

Dr. Fred Barbero Co-chair Catherine Ventling

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