

## County Of Marin

## DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

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Board of Directors County of Marin 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, California 94903

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO ACCEPT \$5,000 DONATION FROM THE ARNTZ FAMILY

FOUNDATION AND TO SEND LETTER OF THANKS TO THE DONOR

**Dear Board Members:** 

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Accept a five thousand dollar (\$5,000) donation from the Arntz Family Foundation
- 2. Authorize the President to send a letter of thanks on behalf of the Board to the donor.

**SUMMARY:** The Open Space District has received a five thousand dollar (\$5,000) donation from the Arntz Family Foundation. The Foundation requests that the donation be used to purchase, install and maintain dispensers with biodegradable dog waste bags in open space locations frequented by dog walkers. The District would engage volunteers to replenish bags in the dispensers as necessary.

The Arntz Family Foundation has offered to donate \$5,000 per year for four years to expand the service to other locations.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The donation would offset the cost of purchasing and installing the dispensers and purchasing a supply of bags. Maintenance, limited primarily to replenishing the supply of bags in dispensers, would be performed by volunteers. Cost of maintaining the service after four years would be limited primarily to the cost of bags.

REVIEWED BY:	[	] Auditor-Controller	[ X ] N/A
	[	] County Counsel	[ X ] N/A
	[	] Human Resources	[ X ] N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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