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February 29, 2016

Chairwoman Diane Wittenberg
State of California
Parks and Recreation Commission
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg,

I urge you to support the addition of Henry Trione's name to Annadel State Park when the matter is considered by the State Parks Commission at its upcoming meeting.

Annadel State Park would not exist today if not for Henry Trione. A founding member of the Annadel Park Foundation, Henry led fundraising efforts to purchase the Annadel property, donated over \$1 million of his own money, and served for 13 years as the Foundation's President. He worked tirelessly to preserve this piece of land, and as a direct result of his foresight, a magnificent park in the middle of an urban area has been preserved for future generations. His personal importance to the park simply cannot be overstated.

Annadel Park was just one of Henry's numerous public gifts. He served our country in the Navy during World War II, founded Empire College, and supported countless nonprofit and charitable organizations. Henry's work touched communities up and down our North Coast, and his profound generosity was matched perhaps only by his humility: when asked about his philanthropy work, Henry would simply respond, "There's no luggage rack on a hearse."

Two weeks before Henry passed away, he told his wife that his greatest wish would be to have his name added to Annadel State Park. Henry's work made the park a reality, and it should bear his name as Trione Annadel State Park.

Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this matter. I know that many in our community look forward to honoring Henry Trione's work in this fashion.

Sincerely,


MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

*Thank you for your consideration. Please
call me if you have questions or need information.*

Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 5:38 PM
To: General, Plan@Parks
Subject: Name change--Annadel State Park

Whereas Henry Trione was an active philanthropist and helped to create Annadel State Park, I do NOT support changing the park's name to "Trione Annadel State Park."

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 9:36 AM
To: General, Plan@Parks
Subject: Annadel State Park Renaming - Support

Honorable Diane Wittenberg,

Thank you for supporting the renaming of Annadel as Trione Annadel State Park.

I am a native Sonoma County resident (55 years) and have enjoyed this park since it was opened. Renaming the park for the Trione family is not only appropriate, it is the right thing to do. Thanks again.

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 9:48 PM
To: General, Plan@Parks
Subject: Trione Annadel State Park

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Commissioners,

I am a student at Santa Rosa Junior College and I don't usually send e-mail like this. But I want you to know what a gift Henry Trione gave me and so many other people who live in Sonoma County. I want you to honor Mr. Trione by adding his name to Annadel -- Trione Annadel State Park.

I grew up in a working class neighborhood in the Rincon Valley and Annadel State Park was my "back yard." I have walked many of the trails, mountain biked there with my friends and spent many evenings watching the sun set, surrounded by one of the most beautiful spots I have ever seen.

This state park could have been a very expensive housing development like Fountaingrove, the wealthy enclave that is visible from Annadel. I thank Henry Trione for saving this land and making it available for me and others whose families are not wealthy to enjoy this place forever.

I like that you are being asked to keep the name Annadel. Adding the Trione name makes a lot of sense to me. The history of the park supports both names being used. Second, I think that adding the Trione name is a way of saying to people my age that there are older people who do very important and difficult things to make the future better. People like Mr. Trione. Like many in my generation, I am not happy at the state of the environment, global warming, fracking, off-

shore oil spills and so many other things that will make my life more difficult. We should remember those who did something important to make things better for future generations.

Please name this park Trione Annadel State Park.

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 10:18 PM

To: General, Plan@Parks

Subject: Trione Annadel State Park

Chairwoman Wittenberg and Honorable Commissioners,

The last time this Commission renamed a State Park, you added the name McLaughlin to Eastshore State Park to honor the women who worked tirelessly to create this State Park and who was considered by the community to be the person responsible for the creation of Eastshore State Park. It was especially important that you chose to rename the park for a living person since that was a unique and powerful recognition of their contribution

Now you are being asked to similarly honor the person who worked tirelessly and created Annadel State Park many years ago -- at a time when no one thought about creating parks close to urban centers. You are considering extending a similar honor to a man who died only recently but who is universally recognized in this community as the one person who made this 5,000 acre park possible.

Nearly 30 years ago, I moved to Sonoma County from Southern California. There was nothing like this park close to any city I had experienced in Southern California. As a single woman I found Annadel State Park to be a safe place for a woman to be in nature, partly because of its proximity to the City. I would take my nephew on nature walks when he was young and we explored this wonderful place.

I understand that, were it not for Trione's personal intervention, this area would have become a community of large homes for the wealthy; possibly even a gated community. But instead, he conserved this land for working people and anyone who chooses to seek the serenity of wild spaces -- even when they are an easy walk, short bike ride or car ride from downtown Santa Rosa.

I now live in Oakmont and every day I am grateful for Annadel State Park that borders my community. I know it is an old fashioned notion that we should honor those whose dedication and leadership and sheer love of the land creates public spaces like Eastshore State Park or Annadel State Park. But I think it is the right thing to do.

Thank you for your action in 2011 to create the McLaughlin Eastshore State Park. Later this week, please create Trione Annadel State Park.

March 5, 2015

Chairman Susan Gorin and
Members of the Board of Supervisors
County of Sonoma
575 Administration Dr., #100A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Chairman Gorin and Members of the Board:

We can all agree that for many years to come we will continue to benefit from the many generous contributions Henry Trione made to our lives here in Sonoma County. We have all tried to express our gratitude to Henry and have thought of ways to recognize his generosity and contributions. He truly made a difference in so many ways.

Granted there are many things that could be done to recognize and remember Henry, but renaming Annadel State Park seems the most fitting. Now that we have become aware of the fact that this option was of particular interest to him, it truly seems like the right thing to do.

We urge you to support this change. This very special park was important to him, he was responsible for its preservation and it will be significant for many future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



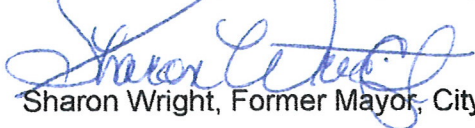
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March 10, 2015

Congressman Mike Thompson
5th District of California
2300 County Center Dr.
Suite A100
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Dear Congressman Thompson:

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa supports renaming Annadel State Park to honor the late Henry Trione.

Eileen Trione has commented that Henry's wish as he neared his last days was to have the park he loved so much named the Henry Trione Annadel State Park. This would be a fitting tribute to a man without whom the park would not exist today. He was the primary fundraiser, including providing a major personal gift, and served as president of the Annadel Park Foundation for 13 years.

Annadel Park is a gift of such magnitude to the region that only Henry Trione himself overshadows it. His legacy is a wild paradise enjoyed by an estimated 300,000 visitors each year. I personally have enjoyed running the trails of Annadel for many years. In generations to come, each visitor should know the name of the man responsible, a man as intimately tied to our history as Colonel James Boydston Armstrong or Jack London, both of whom have State parks named after them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Len Marabella". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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May 21, 2015

The Honorable Mike McGuire
State Capitol, Room 5064
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Support Renaming Annadel State Park in Memory of Henry F. Trione

Dear Senator McGuire,

On behalf of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, please accept this letter of support to add the name Trione to Annadel State Park to honor local parks advocate and philanthropist, Henry F. Trione.

Renaming this beloved park will honor Henry F. Trione, a longtime Santa Rosa resident who died on February 12, 2015 at the age of 94 years old. Mr. Trione is remembered for his life long dedication to preserving, protecting, and creating parks locally and throughout the State of California. Mr. Trione served many terms as Chairman of the Board of California State Parks Foundation and was elected Chairman Emeritus in October 1993. In 2008 he received the award of Honorary State Park Ranger from the California State Park Rangers Association.

Significant accomplishments in Mr. Trione's life include the creation and preservation of the Luther Burbank Center (now named the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts) and the Empire College of Law, institutions known and loved by many in Sonoma County.

The purchase and preservation of 5,000 acres for the land that now forms Annadel State Park was one of Mr. Trione's most noteworthy accomplishments. In his final weeks, Mr. Trione's wife, Eileen, recalls her husband expressing his sincere desire to have the beautiful Annadel State Park renamed after him. We support honoring these final wishes.

The Sonoma County Board of Supervisors formally requests the State of California rename Annadel State Park to Trione's Annadel State Park.

Sincerely,

SUSAN GORIN, Chair
Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

CC: Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

July 19, 2016

Honorable Diane Wittenberg
Chairwoman
California Parks and Recreation
Commission
P O Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 949296-0001

RE: Annadel State Park Renaming Support

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Honorable Commissioners:

Annadel State Park and many other important aspects of our lives wouldn't exist if it wasn't for the generosity and impact of Henry Trione. As former Mayors of Santa Rosa and individuals who have been involved in our community, we can only begin to tell you what he has done for all of us. We have all tried to express our gratitude to Henry and have thought of ways to recognize his generosity and contributions. He truly made a difference in so many ways. Protecting and preserving this incredible park may be the most significant.

Granted there are many things that could be done to recognize and remember Henry, but renaming Annadel State Park seems the most fitting. We are aware of the fact that this option was of particular interest to him, it truly seems like the right thing to do.

We urge you to support this change. This very special park was important to him, he was responsible for its preservation and it will be significant for many future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jane Bender, Former Mayor, City of Santa Rosa

Janet Condron, Former Mayor, City of Santa Rosa

Sharon Wright, Former Mayor, City of Santa Rosa

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July 20, 2016

Honorable Diane Wittenberg, Chairwoman
California Parks and Recreation Commission
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Honorable Commissioners:

In advance of the State Parks Commission meeting in Santa Rosa on Friday, we urge you to support renaming Annadel State Park after Henry Trione.

As you well know, the park would not exist today without Henry Trione's work. Henry loved the land, and because of him it is preserved today. He was a founding member of the Annadel Park Foundation and the first President, a position he held for 13 years. He was the first Chairman of the California State Parks Foundation. And, not only did Henry raise the money needed to purchase the property, but also his large personal contribution made the park possible.

Henry's profound generosity and commitment to doing what was in the best interests of his community knew no bounds. Annadel Park was just one of Henry's many public gifts. He served our country in the Navy during World War II, he founded our local Empire College, and he supported countless nonprofit and charitable organizations. The only thing that outmatched his philanthropy was his humility. While we know the enormous extent of his charity, when asked about it Henry would simply respond, "There are no luggage racks on a hearse."

Two weeks before Henry Trione passed away he told his wife that his greatest wish would be to have Annadel named in his honor. This was the park he loved, he was responsible for making it a reality and it should bear his name.

There is widespread support for this renaming within our community. Both the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and the Santa Rosa City Council unanimously voted to urge the State to move forward with this well-deserved recognition. The California State Parks Foundation and all five Sonoma County state legislators have expressed support, including Senator Mike McGuire who introduced Senate Concurring Resolution 79 (SCR 79) to rename the park Trione Annadel State Park, which both honors the legacy of Henry Trione and retains the park's historical name.

With this impressive and broad base of support, and with the Trione family's generous offer to pay for all costs associated with the renaming, we see no reason why we can't honor Henry Trione's final wish and rename this treasured land the Trione Annadel State Park. We urge the California Parks and Recreation Commission to support Senate Concurring Resolution 79 without further delay.

Sincerely,

MIKE THOMPSON
Member of Congress

JARED JUFFMAN
Member of Congress



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
& VISITORS BUREAU

July 18, 2016

The Honorable Diane Wittenberg
California Parks and Recreation Commission
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

Re: Annadel State Park Renaming-Support

Dear Chairwomen Wittenberg and Commissioners:

On behalf of the Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce I am pleased to write to you in **SUPPORT of Annadel State Park Renaming**. Renaming it **Trione Annadel State Park** is a fitting tribute to Henry Trione, a longtime resident of Sonoma County. Mr. Trione's participation was significant to the formation of Annadel State Park and his financial contributions on behalf of maintaining the park, preserved it through the State's recent financial downturn.

The many residents of Healdsburg and Northern Sonoma County encourage you to rename Annadel State Park, to Trione Annadel State Park, preserving the historic name while honoring one of the park's biggest supporters.

Sincerely,

Carla Howell, Executive Director
Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce



Latinos Unidos del Condado de Sonoma

P.O. Box 5410
Santa Rosa, CA 95402

July 19, 2016

Honorable Diane Wittenberg, Chair
California Parks and Recreation Commission
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

RE: Annadel State Park Renaming – Support

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Honorable Commissioners:

I submit this letter in strong support for renaming the Annadel State Park.

I knew Henry Trione for over forty-nine (49) years. Many times we walked Annadel before it was Annadel. It was then and is now, when I walk it daily, a beautiful place. A place he loved it very much.

He did a great deal of heavy lifting to make this space a state park - to keep it open, green and clean. I had the privilege of watching him do this. He worked so hard and spent so much of his life to keep the park as it is today, a place for his neighbors to enjoy. A place for the world to enjoy.

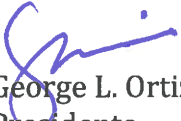
All the great things that have been said about him are true. He created the Luther Burbank Center for the Arts, and Empire College. However, something that he also created, but very few know about is Redwood Empire Industries. This agency (now part of California Human Development's disABILITY Services division) offered Sonoma County's low income, disabled adults the opportunity to train for and be placed in jobs that matched their skillsets. You refused recognition or credit.

For myself, a Latino who has lived in Sonoma County for 51 years now, I remember all the advocacy that Henry engaged in on behalf of the Latino community. He contributed many thousands of dollars to the Latinos Unidos del Condado de Sonoma scholarship fund. In fact, many Latino youngsters graduated from Empire College or went on to Santa Rosa Junior College or another college because of his generosity. So many lead much better lives simply because you cared.

Keeping the 5,000 acre State Park is important because it gives us a place to be in and enjoy the beauty of nature. Naming it after person who made it happen because he loved this beautiful spot is important because his contribution was important.

I sincerely hope that you choose to rename this beautiful spot in the world, Trione Annadel State Park.

Un atento servidor,


George L. Ortiz
Presidente



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Honorable Diane Wittenberg, Chair
California Parks and Recreation Commission
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RE: Annadel State Park Renaming – Support

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Honorable Commissioners:

I am writing today to strongly support adding Henry Trione's name to Annadel State Park.

California Human Development worked with Mr. Trione for many years on numerous community initiatives related to our programs for low income individuals and families. I can think of no other honor that would be more consistent with Henry's life and many achievements.

Annadel is truly unique. Interfacing with the urban neighborhoods of Santa Rosa, this Park hosts some of our region's healthiest oak woodlands, sensitive ridgelines – which are the backdrop to Santa Rosa – seasonal streams, and amazing meadows. The Park is also a sanctuary for countless species of wildlife.

Renaming our beloved park will honor Henry F. Trione who single-handedly protected this now cherished land forever with his original donation many decades ago of 5,000 acres. Mr. Trione is remembered for his life-long dedication to parks, both locally and throughout the State of California. He served several terms as Chairman of the California State Parks Foundation and was elected Chairman Emeritus in October 1993. In 2008, he received the award of Honorary State Park Ranger from the California State Park Rangers Association. Mr. Trione also led the effort to ensure the Park stayed open during the Great Recession by donating over \$100,000 to cover the Park's annual operating expenses.

Significant accomplishments in Mr. Trione's life include the creation and preservation of Sonoma County's largest non-profit performing arts venue – the Luther Burbank Center – and the Empire College School of

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Law. Both of these institutions are known and loved by many in Sonoma County.

Conserving the 5,000 acres of land that now forms Annadel State Park was one of Mr. Trione's most noteworthy accomplishments, and I wholeheartedly support the renaming efforts.

I hope you will give this opportunity to add Mr. Trione's name to Annadel State Park your full consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher Paige". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and "P".

Christopher Paige
Chief Executive Officer



CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS FOUNDATION

July 8, 2015

Honorable Fran Pavley
Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee
State Capitol, Room 5108
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SCR 79 (McGuire) - SUPPORT

Dear Senator Pavley,

On behalf of the California State Parks Foundation (CSPF) and our 130,000 members statewide, I am writing to express our support for Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 79.

SCR 79 recognizes the special connection that the late Henry Trione had with Annadel State Park and recommends his name be added to the official state park name. Mr. Trione was one of CSPF's founding fathers in 1969, served many terms as Chairman of our Board, and was elected Chairman Emeritus in October 1993. His generosity touched many state parks, but Annadel State Park in Sonoma County held a special place for him. With the help of a consortium he developed, he acquired the land for Annadel and the park was created in 1971. Annadel State Park was one of the first projects of the California State Parks Foundation. Most recently, when the park was threatened with closure in 2012, Mr. Trione stepped forward again to protect the special place and donated funds to keep the park open.

During his tenure on the CSPF Board, he helped acquire land, save historic sites, and build interpretive centers throughout the state. Some of the key projects Mr. Trione supported included the development of a visitor's center at Fort Ross State Historic Park, restoration of the Bale Grist Mill in Napa County, preservation of the Ehrmann Mansion in Ed Z'berg Sugar Pine Point State Park, and the restoration of Jack London's cottage at Jack London State Historic Park.

CSPF takes the prospect of changing park names, particularly to name them after individuals, very seriously. We respect the process that exists whereby the State Park & Recreation Commission considers name changes as part of their standing responsibilities, as it allows for public input and transparency regarding name changes. In this instance, we are not only supportive of the Commission's role, we are supportive of the proposed name change itself, given the significant impact Mr. Trione personally had on Annadel as well as the impact he had in bringing other philanthropists and individuals to the cause of supporting California's state park system. Annadel State Park, and many other parks in California's 279-unit system, are better off because of the support and leadership of Henry Trione. For these reasons, we urge your support for SCR 79.

Sincerely,

Traci Verardo-Torres
Vice President, Government Affairs

CC: Senate Natural Resources & Water Committee Members
Senator Mike McGuire

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January 26, 2016

Chairwoman Wittenberg
Members, California State Park and Recreation Commission
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Trione Annadel State Park

Dear Chairwoman Wittenberg and Commissioners:

On behalf of the Trione family, we write today in strong support for renaming Annadel State Park to Trione Annadel State Park.

Henry Trione is known for his life-long dedication to creating, preserving and protecting sensitive open spaces and parks both locally and throughout the State of California. He loved serving on the Board of Directors of the State Park's Foundation.

Henry always had his eye on preserving what would become Annadel State Park, a beautiful track of land overlooking the City of Santa Rosa. This open space is dotted with oak studded hillsides, stands of fir and redwood, beautiful meadows and roaring seasonal creeks.

Working with conservationists across Sonoma County, Henry initiated the preservation of the 5,000 acres from development that established Annadel State Park. It was one his most notable life accomplishments.

Due to his efforts, Annadel Park is now considered a regional treasure and is cherished by the local community and visitors from throughout the Bay Area. While many are aware of his charitable actions, his humility was remarkable. When Henry was asked about his generosity, he would simply respond, "There are no luggage racks on a hearse."

The Trione Family is humbled that Senator McGuire, Congressman Thompson and the other North Bay representatives including the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors and Santa Rosa City Council support the renaming of the park.

In honor of Henry, and knowing that funding is tight, our family would be honored to cover the costs of signage and materials associated with the renaming of the park. Though Henry has passed, the park he worked to create and preserve will be cherished by all Californians to share and enjoy.

Thank you for your consideration of jointly renaming Annadel State Park. The Trione family appreciates your work on this commemoration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vic and Mark' in a cursive, flowing script.

Vic and Mark Trione
Trione Vineyards and Wines