Thurston County Planning Department, Attention: Sonja Cady

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As a property owner adjacent to the Capitol Land Trust parcel located at 4849 Johnson Point Road NE Olympia, please accept this letter of support regarding the planned improvements and activities known as the Inspiring Kids Preserve.

I am in favor of Thurston County granting a Special Use Permit allowing the property to be used for environmental education and passive recreation.

The improvements and activities at the Preserve will in the long term help protect the environmental resources of Thurston County and allow people to experience restoration in action. The proposed educational programming should help students form strong connections with the natural world. It is also important for members of the community to have access to and enjoy ecologically significant natural spaces.

Thank you for taking into consideration the efforts to preserve natural open spaces and ecosystems essential to the high quality of life we enjoy in our County.

All the best.

Darrell F. Howe