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Dear Community Planning and Economic Development Department,

I am expressing my support for the planned improvements and activities at Capitol Land Trust's Inspiring Kids Preserve (IKP) located at 4849 Johnson Point Road NE, Olympia, WA 98516.

My property used to be nearly adjacent to this. Now I live a little further up Johnson Point, and I love the area and want other to enjoy it well into the future.

As a member of the community, I am in favor of that property being used to provide environmental education for local school children. I believe it is important to give young people in Thurston County experiences that help them form strong connections with the natural world in order to keep our region a wonderful place to live for humans and wildlife alike. It is important for members of the community to have access to ecologically significant natural spaces. I would also enjoy having access to a conserved property such as IKP to take walks and enjoy time in nature.

Thank you for your efforts to help create additional public recreation areas and open space while also protecting important green spaces in Thurston County for both people and wildlife.

Kind regards,

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