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Mr. Greg Moore
President & CEO
Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy
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Dear Greg:

As a leading provider of national park-based environmental education across the United States, NatureBridge is pleased to be included as a program partner in the Parks Conservancy's proposal for the Presidio Exchange (PX) at the Commissary site.

Founded in 1971 in Yosemite, NatureBridge is today serving over 600 schools and 30,000 young students annually in programs at six campuses that link children and their national parks through hands-on field science education. A Golden Gate National Park partner for 26 years, we serve California students at our Marin Headlands campus, and we have enjoyed many years of collaboration with the Parks Conservancy, focused on education and youth development.

We are excited about the opportunities that the PX offers to both local communities and national and international visitors. With a programs focusing on Presidio history and nature, on place-based education, and on National Parks and protected areas worldwide, there will be a vibrant nexus of critical subject matter here that will resonate with broad audiences and will enrich their experiences in this national park.

We also enthusiastically support the collaborative model that the PX represents. The PX will bring together thought leaders and program providers to ensure effective, content-rich, and relevant programs for the public – whether a BioBlitz public event focused on park biodiversity, or a forum on environmental education research organized by the Environmental Education Collaborative. This space will be known for expanding minds on topics relevant to the extraordinary Presidio.

We are eager for the next steps.

Sincerely,



Susan Smartt
President & CEO