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City of Merced Planning Department  
Attn: Julie Nelson  
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Merced, CA 95340

Subject: Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 (Merzoian)

Dear Ms. Nelson,

We are writing with respect to a one-year time extension for the above referenced Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map (VTSM #1291).

By way of brief background, we filed a request for a one-year extension for VTSM #1291 in September 2021. As you know, the Planning Commission considered and granted this request on March 3, 2021. However, concurrent therewith, our records indicate that VTSM #1291 was automatically extended for 18 months by State Assembly Bill 1561. This state statutory provision allows for this automatic extension to be layered onto extensions granted by the local land use agency, such as the City of Merced. However, given that there may be some ambiguity as to how this "layering" would apply with respect to VTSM #1291, in an abundance of caution, we hereby request that the City confirm its intention to extend the life of VTSM #1291 to July 15, 2023. To that end, please find attached the \$281 application fee to process this request.

As you know our proposed Final Map and related Subdivision Improvement Plans for this project are in their second Plan Check. We hope to have a recorded Final Map prior to the above expiration date of July 15, 2023 and are committed to working with City staff in good faith to achieve this objective, but nevertheless we feel it is prudent to file this request. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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