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## To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Cocoa supports the Historic Cocoa Village Main Street (HCVMS) in their efforts to apply for a grant to establish a Butterfly Garden in Riverfront Park in Cocoa Village. If awarded, the City will authorize the HCVMS to access the location behind the Historic Porcher House, the planned location of the Butterfly Garden, and provide consultation from City Staff during the planting period. In addition, City Staff will assist with ensuring the irrigation is in place for the plants and will provide future maintenance efforts of garden.

The City is excited that HCVMS is pursuing a grant to support the Butterfly Garden, as it not only provides an opportunity to support an ongoing educational tool for students and the community. Butterfly gardens are not only beneficial to butterflies but to the environment through the relationship between the butterflies and the plants. This Florida Friendly Landscape will attract butterflies and be a host for the community to learn more about how a Butterfly Garden works.

Sincerely,

Jake Williams, Jr. Mayor City of Cocoa

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