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The Honorable Donne Brownsey and Members of the California Coastal Commission  
455 Market Street, Suite 300  
San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Honorable Donne Brownsey and Members of the California Coastal Commission:

Young folks have been thrust into a reality that is unsustainable. We are increasingly burdened by an economy that does not provide living wages, a housing market that is too expensive to enter, and a climate that threatens our livelihoods. The Magnolia Tank Farm Project would take one step in addressing all of these issues.

With 20% of the homes designated as low income, the Magnolia Tank Farm Project would provide affordable housing and low-cost lodging to a Coastline community full of young folks that need it. Affordable housing means the difference between us sliding into homelessness or having a place to call home.

The Project would create over 2,000 jobs, many of which would be going to young folks that are trying to make their way in life. This would not only provide good paying jobs, but serve as an alternative to college for many young community members by providing a debt-free path to a middle class life.

The sea level rise trust fund this Project would establish would build a fund to protect our environment, so that we address the systematic risks that threaten the livelihoods of young folks and future generations.

The California Young Democrats represent over 10,000 young people across the State. As such, I feel inclined to speak up and join my brothers and sisters at the State Building Trades in urging you to adopt this Project. It's good for workers, it's good for our youth, it's good for our economy, it's good for our environment, and it's good for our community. Please do the right thing and approve the Project. Thank you!

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Giovanni Chavez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small flourish at the end.

Giovanni Chavez, CYD President