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To Whom it May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of building a dog park in Riverton, Wyoming.

Dog parks are very popular all over the United States. Some people will choose destinations based as to whether there is a dog park present in the community. If we could attract travelers headed through Riverton to our dog park they will also utilize our restaurants and other shops improving our local economy. Allowing a place in city limits where our dogs can run off leash, socialize with other dogs, and burn some energy would bring so much to our hometown. I can tell you, when I saw my young dog run in a dog park for the first time it was a sight I would hope every person has the opportunity to witness in their lifetime. If I have ever seen pure joy, that was it. Let me say as well, a dog park would not only benefit the dogs but their owners as well. The animals will break down some social barriers between people uniting our community members to build stronger relationships with each other. I have heard people say they didn't even know their neighbors until they met at a dog park! I also believe that having a dog park, particularly in the proposed location, will encourage our citizens to get out and have a more active lifestyle. The benefits from having a dog park in our community are really be endless.

I am a huge supporter of bringing a dog park to Riverton, Wyoming and I am willing to work tirelessly to bring this to reality for our community. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by email rschatza@rivertonwy.gov.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Schatza Ward II Councilman Riverton Wyoming