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William H. Haithco Recreation Area February 28th, 2023

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission to offer support for Handley Educational Foundation Board and their Handley Hills community playground initiative. In addition to serving students and families within the Saginaw Public School District, this project will serve a neighborhood that has not historically had access to high-quality, nearby parks or natural spaces. A state-of-the-art accessible playground in the city of Saginaw will be a wonderful community asset improving quality of life opportunities for residents and visitors alike.

Handley Hills will be a destination playground with a focus on adventure play, providing children and families a unique recreation experience. Building a recreation space around creative play allows children and families to continue to explore new adventures each time they visit. The added benefit of an inclusive and accessible space is a crucial component, removing barriers to accessing recreation in Saginaw.

Saginaw County Parks strongly supports the Handley Education Foundation Board's Handley Hills community playground initiative. The installation would significantly add to the recreational opportunities for children and families in our region.

Respectfully,

Brian Keenan-Lechel, Director

Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Commission