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To Whom It May Concern:

Preserving our past for current and future generations is essential to protecting our Colorado way of life. It is in this spirit, I write in support of preserving the beautiful, historic Crystal Mill property.

The historic Crystal Mill above Marble, Colorado is one of the most popular destinations in the state for summer and fall visitors. This unique, beautiful mill perched on the rocks above the waters of the Crystal River is visited by hundreds of tourists every year. For nearly a century, this treasure and surrounding land has been protected privately. As the community looks to the future, they are working to create a non-profit organization and begin the challenging work of fundraising for the purchase and preservation of this special landmark.

The mission of this organization is to preserve, protect, manage and maintain the historic Crystal Mill for current visitors, heritage tourists and future generations for educational and historic purposes:

- To preserve and protect the mill after purchasing from private hands to keep it safe from destruction and restore it for the future.
- To help restore and manage these priceless pieces of Colorado history for the general public and future generations to showcase what the western silver mining towns were like.
- To promote heritage tourism in Colorado in order to educate generations on the history of this western silver mining towns were like.
- To promote heritage tourism in Colorado in order to educate generations on the history of this western town and Colorado mining in the 1880's.

Thank you for your support of this Colorado treasure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie McCluskie".

Julie McCluskie
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