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Honorable Chair LaVere and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in strong support of funding for the New West Symphony under agenda item No. 61.

As a “new” *New West Symphony* (NWS) Board member and big brother and Board Member of *Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ventura County*, I am very supportive of the long term benefit of the arts to the community. I am particularly interested in the availability of the arts to youth as the future of the community. A significant piece of the NWS’ mission is to expand the audience of NWS---including youth!

We commend you for sowing a seed for arts and culture, thus improving the future of Ventura County in this first crucial step. Please strongly consider supporting the New West Symphony directly today.

Sincerely,

Wilmer C. “Chip” Marvin