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May 26, 2017

Board of County Commissioners – Elbert County
215 Comanche St.
Kiowa, CO 80117

RE: Independence – Filing 1 Final Plat

Dear County Commissioners:

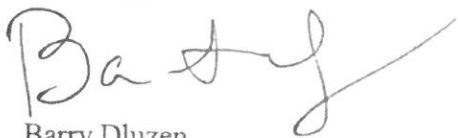
I am writing on behalf of Walton Colorado, LLC (“Walton”) to express our strong support for the Filing 1 Final Plat of the Independence project in Elbert County. Walton is an adjacent property owner at the northern boundary of Independence.

This development will not only act as a catalyst for future economic development growth in Elbert County, but brings a number of additional positive attributes to the area:

- **Significant Open Space / low density land use**
- **Creation of a centralized utility system that will serve a regional area**
- **A water system designed around conservation**
- **Recreational facilities including a public park and clubhouse**
- **New elementary and middle school**

Based on the plans and information I have been able to review, the developer has done an excellent job of designing a project that is in line with the vision for future growth within Elbert County. I have been involved in the design and development of many master planned communities across the country in my 20+ years in the homebuilding/development business and believe Independence will rank among the best.

Sincerely,



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