AAUW
Marin Inc. (CA) Branch

September 15, 2026

To: Joanne Webster
Board President
Our Kids Our Future

From: Kathleen Clark, President
Cherie Sorokin, Public Policy Chair
AAUW Marin

Re: AAUW Marin Letter in support of Measure P – Marin County Child Care 9.9.26

Dear Joanne,

We are writing to let you know that the Board of Directors of the Marin Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW Marin) voted last evening to publicly endorse Measure P, the Marin County Child Care parcel tax measure, on the November 3, 2026, ballot. You may utilize the AAUW Marin name and the AAUW Marin logo in any listing you create of endorsers.

Expanding access to affordable, high-quality childcare is included in the national public policy priorities of AAUW and AAUW Marin believes Measure P has been structured in a way that will responsibly help address the severe shortage of childcare services in Marin, a shortage which particularly affects low and middle income families.

The Measure imposes a county-wide parcel tax of $.05 per square foot of taxable built property, up to 10,000 square feet. The Measure is very clear that funds raised by this new tax must be used to provide income based scholarships, to increase the childcare workforce through increased wages and benefits, and career development opportunities, and to increase capacity by investing in facilities. The Measure leaves program development to achieve these purposes with the Marin County Children and Families Commission, subject to creation of successive five year plans for the allocation of funds and regular assessment of the effectiveness of programs in collaboration with an Advisory

Council made up of key stakeholders and experts. Administrative expenses are capped at 5%. Mandated annual independent audits of the use of funds provide financial oversight and the required review and public reporting on the audits and assessments of programs provide transparency. We believe this structure strikes the right balance between providing needed flexibility in use of the funds to adapt to changing childcare needs over time and the need for transparency and independent oversight in the use of the funds to ensure they are used for the purposes intended by the Measure.

We look forward to engaging with you to support Measure P and your efforts to gain voter approval. We believe passage of Measure P will strengthen Marin as a community where young children learn and grow.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kathleen Clark,
President, AAUW Marin

/s/ Cherie Sorokin,
Public Policy Chair, AAUW Marin)