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To Whom It May Concern,

As Mayor of the Town of Thermopolis, I write in support of a timely, agreeable resolution to the ongoing litigation surrounding amenities within Hot Springs State Park and to encourage all parties toward a path that prioritizes collaboration, community benefit, and forward progress.

Hot Springs State Park is not only a cornerstone of Wyoming's park system, but it is also central to the identity, economy, and heritage of Thermopolis. The park's unique geothermal features and longstanding attractions, including facilities such as the Star Plunge and Hot Springs Hotel, have drawn visitors from across the state and beyond for generations. The continued operation and improvement of all these features and attractions are vital to sustaining tourism, supporting local businesses, and preserving what makes our community special.

It is encouraging to see that discussions are actively underway and that meaningful resources have been committed toward a potential resolution. The prospect of an agreed-upon appraisal process and buyout represents a practical and forward-looking opportunity to bring closure to what has been a lengthy and complex dispute. More importantly, it creates a pathway to reinvest in and revitalize these important community assets.

While there have been differing perspectives throughout this process, it is clear that all involved share a common interest in seeing Hot Springs State Park thrive. Reaching a fair and mutually acceptable conclusion will allow the focus to shift from litigation to restoration, improvement, and long-term stewardship of the park.

The Town of Thermopolis stands ready to support the efforts of all parties to enhance these amenities, strengthen partnerships, and ensure that both residents and visitors can continue to enjoy all that our state park has to offer. Moving forward together, with a spirit of cooperation, will best serve our community, our region, and the State of Wyoming.

Thank you for your continued efforts toward resolution and for your commitment to the future of Hot Springs State Park.

Warm regards,

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