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To the Palm Desert City Council,

The members of the Joslyn Center respectfully ask the City of Palm Desert to look into the recent termination of our director, Dr. Jay Seller. We have lost confidence in the Board of Directors of the Cove Communities Senior Association and question whether they are acting in the best interests of the Center.

While we understand that the Board has the authority to dismiss the director, it is deeply troubling that someone so well-regarded by members—and who, by any measurable standard, was doing outstanding work—would be abruptly let go without explanation.

Following calls for transparency, the Board President held a meeting with Center members. The meeting was well-attended by individuals seeking answers. Unfortunately, no explanation was provided, and she declined to take questions regarding the firing—despite that being the very reason most people were present.

This has raised serious concerns among the membership. There is growing consensus that the structure and oversight of the Board should be reviewed. For instance, why is the President of the Board someone who does not reside in the Coachella Valley?

Since Dr. Seller took leadership, the Joslyn Center experienced a significant positive transformation. New pickleball courts were added, meaningful outreach was extended to disabled seniors, and the facility was cleaner, more vibrant, and far better maintained. Dr. Seller's visible presence, supportive interactions, and joyful, welcoming demeanor greatly improved the atmosphere at the Center. His sense of humor and warmth made a lasting impact on us all.

We want the City Council to know that the members are upset and deeply disappointed by the Board's actions. We respectfully ask for your support in looking into this matter and, if possible, helping to restore Dr. Jay Seller to his role.

Best regards,

Jana Koroczynsky