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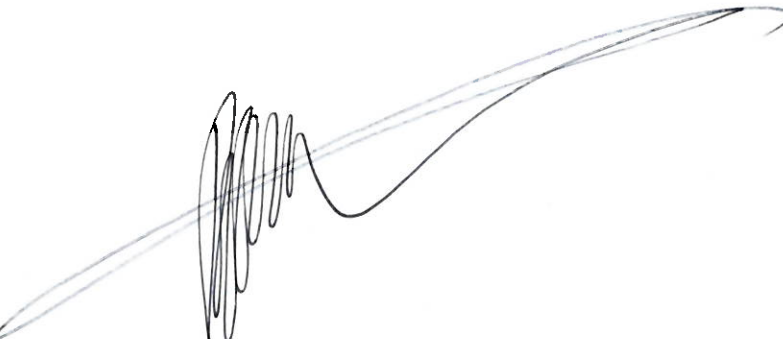
Hello, my name is Brittany Solórzano Blanco with Comite Civico del Valle.

I have lived in this valley my entire life and even received my education within the corridor from kinder to University. Today I work with multiple schools throughout the county, doing my part coordinating the school flag program and educating the community on the importance of being 'aware of the air'.

The School Flag Program is more than just an air notification program. It serves as an education and communication tool. It raises air quality awareness, helps aid in reducing absenteeism, provides school-based interventions for poor AQ days, but most importantly, it improves the quality of life for the children who live in our community.

Our community has over 37,000 students, and 16,000 of those students attend schools within the 617 Corridor. I have heard personal stories from parents and teachers on how the poor air quality results in frequent absences due to respiratory issues brought on by the poor air quality.

The school flag program is a great example of helping schools, educators, and the community but it should not stop there, we should continue to do as much as we can reduce emissions within the corridor to help improve the quality of life for the imperial county. Thank you for your time.



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