## Exhibit A

## Your Honor Judge Lamberth,

I am aware that Ken has plead guilty to demonstrating, parading, and picketing in the Capitol, but I know Ken is a very upstanding member of our community and I would like to let you know a little about him on a personal level.

I am writing this letter in regards to Kenneth Scott Armstrong 3. I have known him since 2008. I met him in church where he was a very active member. We volunteered as a community in beach cleanups and singing at nursing homes through out the year just to name a few. In 2012 Ken provided me the opportunity to start an Aquaponic Farm with him. He named it Ouroboros Farms and from there I began a journey that has provided me the knowledge to be self sustainable. My current dream is being fueled by the knowledge that I acquired during the period in my life where Ken and I solely ran a commercial farm from seed to sales until we could pay employees. I homeschooled my daughter at the farm for a year before the pandemic and the knowledge that she has is also priceless. Though we cut ties as business partners in early 2020, I still feed my family with the vegetables grown at Ouroboros Farms and have a respect and trust for Ken that is unwavering. He is a father figure to my daughter and spends time with her on a weekly basis. He is one of the kindest men that I have ever met and could not hurt a fly. His heart is truly that pure.

Ken Armstrong has been a very strong pillar in our local community of Half Moon Bay by providing the purest produce available by living his dream. He is actively teaching people all around the world how to grow sustainable produce with very little water, as well as hosting field trips to schools through out the Bay Area at his farm. This is his passion and he shares his knowledge and excitement which is evident in every tour, every class, and every single head of lettuce that is grown on his farm.

Here are a few examples of awards and acknowledgement that Ken has personally been a recipient of:

- -He won the Sustainable Business award in Half Moon Bay presented by the city council.
- -He was the keynote speaker at the 2016 Aquaponics convention.
- -He won the Innovation award from the Silicon Valley Water conservation awards.
- -He got a certificate of appreciation from the peninsula special interest lions club. Ken has also partnered with NASA in microbiology experiments.

These have all been very exciting and inspired him to continue to share his knowledge via interviews in local papers as well as on national TV. The support for what Ken is doing is far reaching and revolutionary. This is the future of farming, and he is a pioneer. Through out the devastation of businesses during the pandemic as well as the loss of major outlets due to local newspaper pieces smearing him prior to his trial, Ken has remained positive and has pushed through with his business making ends meet and refusing to shut down.

I am aware that Ken has plead guilty to very serious crimes but I ask you to please consider these attributes which really make Ken who he is when imposing his sentence. He is a very good man.

Thank you your honor, Jessica Patton