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Lou Yost, Executive Secretary
U.S. Board on Geographic Names
U.S. Geological Survey
523 National Center
Reston, VA 20192-0523

Dear Mr. Yost,

Please be advised that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors strongly supports the proposed name change from "Regina Heights" to "Rogina Heights." There is no record of any kind that anyone named "Regina" was ever associated with this property in any way. The area was formerly owned by Frank and Estelle Rogina who subdivided the property and formed Rogina Water Company which is still owned by family members and supplies water to the area. Several family members, including Robert and Daniel Rogina, who are the sons of Frank and Estelle, continue to own property and live in the area. It is clear that the name "Regina," which currently appears on maps, originated as a spelling error based on the phonetic pronunciation of the family name. Accordingly, the Board of Supervisors is pleased to support this long overdue correction and recommends your approval of changing "Regina Heights" to "Rogina Heights."

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

John McCowen, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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