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Commissioners,

As someone who's spent my career serving this community, I appreciate the work Republic Services does in Benton County and at Coffin Butte, and the partnership they've provided over decades that we all benefit from. We can't afford to lose a resource that keeps costs stable, supports local jobs, and invests back into the community.

In my years of service — both in uniform and as a small business owner — I've learned that strong communities are built on strong partnerships. Good businesses don't just provide a service; they invest in the place they call home.

Coffin Butte has been part of our community for decades. It's a steady, reliable partner that supports local jobs, contributes to our economy, and helps keep our region running smoothly. Like any good neighbor, they show up, do the work, and give back in ways that benefit us all. The proposed expansion is about keeping that partnership strong for the future. When we have local businesses that operate responsibly and consistently support the community, we should be doing what we can to help them continue that work.

I urge the Benton County Commissioners to support the Coffin Butte expansion and keep this good neighbor part of our community for years to come.

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