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Dear Kristina,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as a non-voting ex officio member representing the University of California Cooperative Extension in the CDFA Nursery Advisory Board. As a Production Horticulture Advisor for Nurseries and Floriculture with the University of California Cooperative Extension in San Diego, I have experience with the needs and challenges faced by the nursery and greenhouse industry in California. Thank to statewide collaborations with other academics in the UC system, I interact with nursery growers and academics at the state level. I hold a PhD from UC Davis in Horticulture and Agronomy and I specialize in irrigation, water management and nitrogen management. For all these reasons, I believe I would be a good candidate for the CDFA Nursery Advisory Board and it would be my privilege to serve in the Board.

Thank you for your consideration,

Gerry Spinelli

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