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To: Mary Gourley

Subject: Fireworks stand in Sebastopol

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Dear Vice Mayor Sarah Glade Gurney,

Fireworks have always been used safely in Sebastopol, and I see no reason that wouldn't continue to be the case. President Biden has spoken about the possibility of coming together with friends and family on July 4th, such an important holiday for our country. The celebration has always involved fireworks, and this year will be especially celebratory. I am imagining the local large scale fireworks event will not happen this year, so allowing Sebastopolians the opportunity to celebrate on a small scale will be special. Safe and Sane fireworks should be a part of our July 4th this year.

The SSS swim team is in dire need of this fundraising event, on the heels of multiple wildfires (having nothing to do with fireworks), and the unprecedented pandemic. This swim team has amazing benefits for kids--my daughter has emerged as a healthy young adult because of it, and credits so many of her success to this sport and specifically to this team. SSS has been a part of Sebastopol for decades, please help us keep it going.

Thank you, Tasha