LETTER FROM THE SELLER

822 Talbot Avenue, Albany

Dear Prospective Buyers,

Welcome! It is bittersweet to say goodbye to our sweet Albany home on Talbot Street, especially after being here for such a short time. We love the community and the schools, and we especially love the light that warms the whole house, from the front entry to the back steps out into the garden. Although it wasn't in the plan, an unexpected job relocation is shifting our young family to move closer to our offices.

We have been living in Albany for almost ten years. As you may know, Albany is a unique community within the Bay Area- it has a small-town feel yet closely connected to Berkeley, Oakland, and San Francisco. We will deeply miss walking to Flowerland to have a cup of joe amongst alpine strawberries and mandarins. We loved being able to walk our older daughter to preschool a few blocks away each morning. We'd take her to Cornell Elementary on the weekends to play on the playground with friends and practice learning to ride her bike.

The light is wonderful throughout the day, thanks to the south-facing windows in the living room, dining room, kitchen, and back space. When we moved in, we had the built-in bench made; it turns out that sitting on the bench with a book and enjoying the view of the front garden became a morning ritual of ours. The open floor plan allowed us to cook dinner and watch our younger daughter play in the living room and our older daughter run around in the backyard. To our surprise, we found that the house lived bigger than its size, thanks to the ample storage in the basement and garage. We kept our storage items there (skis, boxes, sports equipment, bikes, tools, and so on). We were also able to park our EV in the garage and charge it.

Please look around. We hope you enjoy the warmth of the home as much as we did!