

LETTER FROM THE SELLER

6477 Melville Drive, Oakland

Dear future owners of 6477 Melville Drive,

Welcome home! We are so excited for you to add your story to the rich tapestry that is this home and this incredible neighborhood. This house was designed and built in 1994 by architect John Allen for him and his family. The attention to detail and bonus features throughout the house show how the house has been deeply loved and cared for over the years. Since this house has meant so much to us, we wanted to write a letter to the prospective buyers of this unique home and share some of our favorite memories and features of this memorable house.

The heart of Melville is the front room, where we spent most of our time. In the morning, we would drink coffee on the balcony off of the great room, overlooking the trees and hear the babble of the small stream. At night, it was the perfect spot for entertaining where we would host everything from board game nights, wine tasting, and even the occasional "girls nite." Our house quickly became the place where all of our friends would gather to meet. In the winter, it was the perfect cozy retreat with the fireplace roaring and the windows showing the sunset over the trees. The master bedroom was our favorite "hideout" spot of the home. We often retreated there to get some quiet time to read or draw a bath after a long day at work. The two bedrooms on the bottom floor were ideal guest rooms as well as an exercise room and crafts/activities room for us.

Parking can often be a problem on the hills. But one of the hidden highlights of this home is that there is plenty of adjacent street parking available. When entertaining guests for a barbecue on our spacious backyard, our guests never had any trouble finding parking and felt safe in our secluded street. Our neighborhood is small and friendly, with everyone always would smile and say hi on their evening walks. One of the best features about the location of this home is the easy access to Redwood Regional Park, especially during these COVID times. While working from home, we would often take advantage and go on hikes during our frequent conference calls throughout the day. The trails were also a perfect place where we learned to love running outdoors. Hiking the trails became our favorite Saturday morning activity, and we explored the dozens of trails available year-round.

Our only hope is that the next owners of 6477 Melville will love living in this home as much as we did and enjoy a neighborhood teeming with community-minded folks who make this street so special. Living in this home and community has shaped us and enriched our lives in many more ways that are hard to describe. We hope you see that same potential that we saw so many years ago when we first walked into this home and that you feel inspired to make it your own as well. We wish you our very best and please feel free to reach out with any and all questions you may have about this home, neighborhood, and community.

Warm wishes,
Jason and Samantha