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Bob Hope Estate

1 message

Sylvia Goulden <shgoulden@sbcglobal.net>

Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 9:04 AM

Reply-To: Sylvia Goulden <shgoulden@sbcglobal.net>

To: "sharon.dickinson@lacity.org" <sharon.dickinson@lacity.org>

Cc: "alice.roth@lacity.org" <alice.roth@lacity.org>

TO: Councilman David Ryu
ATTN: Sharon Dickinson*Dear Councilman David Ryu,**I support your efforts to preserve the Bob Hope Estate as a "Culturally Historic Monument"!**Bob Hope was more than just a celebrity; his countless contributions in entertainment and to our troops have had a lasting impression around the world.**There are few American Heroes left to honor, we simply cannot abandon and let fade away an icon like Bob Hope, who did so much for this Country.**Thank you for all your efforts to keep Bob Hope's Legacy home in Toluca Lake.**Sincerely,
Sylvia H Goulden
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Bob and Dolores Hope Estate

1 message

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Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 9:24 AM

To: sharon.dickinson@lacity.org

Cc: alice.roth@lacity.org

Dear Councilperson Ryu:

I am a 20 year resident of Toluca Lake. One of the first things my husband and I experienced when we moved to the neighborhood was Mr. Hope's Halloween tradition during which, over the years, he welcomed thousands of children and others through his gates.

At Christmas, Moorpark St. was illuminated by the large manger scene the Hopes displayed on their property every year. The ancient trees surrounding it were filled with stars made of light. Many times we drove by the estate and observed it alive with visitors. We saw Mr. Hope traveling to the golf course in his cart. Bob and Dolores Hope, and their residence, are an integral part of the fiber and history of Toluca Lake.

Over the last few years we have watched as historic home after home in our neighborhood has been demolished to make way for new, cookie-cutter, always-inferior, characterless construction. In this way the character and history of the neighborhood are being steadily eroded.

The homes that we have lost, while beautiful, did not have the historic significance and standing of the Hope estate. The estate is renowned and valuable not only as a piece of Toluca Lake history, it adds to the luster of Los Angeles--past and present. And perhaps most importantly, the property is part of Hollywood culture and lore, which fuels the world's imagination and adds greatly to Los Angeles' economic well-being.

These circumstances provide us with the opportunity to save the estate by preserving it in its intact state, which we must do. Our dwindling store of precious monuments cannot be replaced. **I respectfully urge the Cultural Heritage Commission to accord the Bob and Dolores Hope Estate Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM) status.**

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Julie B. Yanow

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Fwd: The Bob Hope-Cultural Monument

Julia Duncan <julia.duncan@lacity.org>
To: Sharon Dickinson <sharon.dickinson@lacity.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 10:17 AM

Should I be sending these to you to add to the file? Thanks Sharon.

Sincerely,

Julia



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From: **cs5wf** <cs5wf@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, Feb 26, 2017 at 11:11 PM
Subject: The Bob Hope-Cultural Monument
To: Alice.roth@lacity.org
Cc: Julia.duncan@lacity.org

Hello,

I'm reaching out to join the concerns of my neighbors in the possible demolition of the historic Bob Hope estate. We as a community are strongly against it. We would rather the property become a park, and or museum, or something used in conjunction with veterans.

All we have is our history.

This is the property of not just an ordinary man and family, it's part of us, our history has happened there.

Thank you.

Gene L.

Sent from my iPhone

Kelly L. Cole
4702 Willow Crest Ave.
Toluca Lake, CA 91602

February 27, 2017

Los Angeles City Council
Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Council,

I am writing to you today in support of the historic designation for the Bob Hope Estate. As a 15 year resident of Toluca Lake, and a 6th generation Californian, I strongly believe we must honor and protect our civic heritage if we are to continue as an international cultural capital.

We are a city build on invention and re-invention. Bob and Dolores Hope themselves came from nothing and yet created a legend. Now, their legacy foundation – with a current endowment in excess of 40 million dollars – is in a position to compromise without detriment with Los Angeles, the city they called home for six decades. This compromise, with a lesser portion of the property gaining an historic designation, benefits the most while negatively impacting the least, and is the wisest course of action for our beloved city and its often ephemeral touchstones.

I urge you to vote in favor of historical designation for the Bob Hope Estate. A yes vote not only honors the man, it honors Los Angeles as the singular place that man could become an enduring an icon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kelly Cole

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Bob Hope Estate

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Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 11:09 AM


To: sharon.dickinson@lacity.org, alice.roth@lacity.org

Thank you Councilman Ryu for helping us preserve the Bob Hope Estate...Our family has lived in this beautiful neighborhood for over 20 years and are proud owners of a Mid-Century Case Study house #1 that was placed on National Register of Historical Places in 2013.

We chose to protect our home from future builders and have our home become an icon of the Modernist movement. We hope this help teach future generations of our past.

Without these homes we lose our identity as citizens of historic Toluca Lake.

Brent & Donna Nelson
10152 Toluca Lake Ave.
Toluca Lake, CA 91602

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[Sample Letter]

To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Cc: alice.roth@lacity.org

Fax: 213-978-1040

Name: BRENT & DONNA NELSON

Address: 10152 Toluca Lake Ave.

City State: Toluca Lake, CA 91602

Dear Councilman David Ryu,

I am a homeowner in Toluca Lake and strongly support your efforts to preserve this culturally historic property!

Toluca Lake is known as "Old Hollywood" It's list of famous actor residents is legendary. Bob Hope was more than just a celebrity his countless contributions to our country and our troops have had a lasting impression on everyone who lives here. Now with America in the state it's in are we just going to abandon an icon that truly make America great?

I chose Toluca Lake because of its long time heritage. Over the years there have been numerous distinguished visitors to the Hope Estate, including President Richard Nixon, who landed Marine One on the back lawn. Not to mention the thousands that would line up at his front door every Halloween to get their personalized Bob Hope gifts. Some gifts even said, "Thanks for the Memories"!

Thank you for all your efforts to keep Bob Hope's Legacy in Toluca Lake!

Sincerely,



Ph# (818) 505-6977

I BRENT & DONNA NELSON, who lives at:
10152 Toluca Lake Ave. Toluca Lake, CA 91602
Address City Zip Code

Support, Councilman, David Ryu's motion to designate 2 acres of the Bob Hope Estate located at 10350 W. Moorpark St., Toluca Lake, CA 91602 as a "Historic Cultural Monument" under the procedures of Section 22.17.10 of the Administrative Code. See Below:

MOTION

Section 22.17.10 of the Administrative Code provides that the Council, Cultural Heritage Commission, or Director of Planning may initiate consideration of a proposed site, building, or structure as a Historic-Cultural Monument. After reviewing and investigating any such Council-initiated designation, the Cultural Heritage Commission shall approve or disapprove in whole or in part the proposed inclusion and submit a report upon such action to Council.

Council District 4's Toluca Lake neighborhood includes many buildings that are architecturally rich and worthy of preservation. One such historic treasure is the Hope Estate, located at 10350 West Moorpark Street, Toluca Lake, CA, 91602. The estate, approximately 15,000 square feet in size and set on a 5.2-acre site, was built in 1939 for Bob and Dolores Hope. The English traditional-style home was designed by architect Richard Finkelhor, who designed and renovated homes for numerous other Hollywood icons. In the mid-1950s, architect John Elgin Woolf, known for his Hollywood Regency-style, was commissioned to remodel and update the Hope Estate. The home was known to be a place for large gatherings and intimate visits from celebrity neighbors like Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra.

In a report published in January 2012 for the Sherman Oaks Studio City-Toluca Lake-Cahuenga Pass Community Plan Area, Survey LA—the City's Historic Resources Survey—has identified the Hope Estate as an example embodying the theme of a residence of an important person in the entertainment industry, 1906-1980. Bob Hope had a prolific career as a comic actor, singer and dancer. He won five honorary Academy Awards and one humanitarian award.

It is imperative that the City's historic-cultural resources are celebrated and its historic architecture preserved for future generations. The Hope Estate, located on Toluca Lake's Moorpark Street, is an architectural treasure and integral to theme and context of the Toluca Lake neighborhood, as identified in Survey LA.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council determine, as provided in Section 54954.2(b)(2) of the Government Code, and pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules of the City Council, that there is a need to take immediate action on this matter AND that the need for action came to the attention of the City Council subsequent to the posting of the agenda for today's Council meeting.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council initiate consideration of the Hope Estate, located at 10350 West Moorpark Street, Toluca Lake, CA, 91602, as a City Historic-Cultural Monument under the procedures of Section 22.17.10 of the Administrative Code, and instruct the Planning Department to prepare the Historic-Cultural Monument application for review and consideration by the Cultural Heritage Commission.

I FURTHER MOVE that after reviewing the application, the Cultural Heritage Commission submit its report and recommendations to the Council regarding the inclusion of the Hope Estate in the City's list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

PRESENTED BY: David Ryu
DAVID RYU
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: Sharon Dickinson

x Donna Nelson
Signature

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Bob Hope Estate

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Judith Angel <jcangel10311@aol.com>

Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 11:27 AM

To: sharon.dickinson@lacity.org

I support Councilman Ryu's efforts to have the Hope Estate declared a Culturally Historical Monument. Bob Hope was an entertainment icon whose home deserves to have his legacy remembered. I urge you to save this historic property.

Sincerely,
Judith Angel
818-769-3480



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Bob Hope Estate

1 message

Robin Italia <ritalia@pacbell.net>
To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 11:47 AM

Dear Sharon,

I have been a homeowner in Toluca Lake for 19 years, and also a member of Lakeside Golf Club for twenty years. As a result I got to know Bob and Dolores Hope and I was very grateful to be living in the same community as them. Their countless contributions to our country have had a lasting impression on everyone who lives here. Over the years numbers of visitors would be seen taking photos of their home, not to mention the thousands that would line up at their front door every Halloween to get their treats from the Hopes.

I strongly support your efforts to preserve their property as Culturally Historic, and strongly oppose any mass buildings of cookie cutter homes that would tarnish Bob and Dolores Hope's legacy.

Thank you for all your efforts.

Sincerely,

Robin Italia

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