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Via email

RE: CHC-2018-3233-HCM -2, ENV 2018-3234-CE – THE MONTECITO – CF: 18-0412

Dear Council Members of The PLUM Committee

Thank you for your interest and review of the Montecito property.

I write to urge your **SUPPORT** to what has been vetted and in existence since mid-1985. The Montecito property, not just a building, is designated as an Historic Monument by responsible agencies at both the State and Federal level.

As part of the property owner's presentation their representative, Mr. Fred Gaines, made a concerted effort to identify what the designation should be.

I agree, in part, with his assertion.

For details, I reference the Cultural Commission meeting recording of July 5, 2018.

Cultural Commission Meeting Recording; Cultural 07 CHC-2018-3233-HCM.mp3.

From minute 15:00 forward Mr. Fred Gaines, Representing Thomas Safran and Associates (TSA) discusses the various reviews, reports and meetings that the proposed project has under gone.

At minute 15:45 he posits:

"So, the real reason for this designation is to delay or stop this project being built on the garden. The garden was not part of the national or state designations." "Why?" "Because the garden did not exist." "In fact, the property the garden is on was not part of the original Montecito project."

At minute 17:55 Mr. Gaines goes on to state:

"My clients already have a property that's Nationally and State designated."

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He further states at minutes 18:45:

"So, we ask that if you are going to move forward to take this under consideration, that you make clear that the consideration matches the designation of the National and State. And, does not bootstrap in this garden which would be in direct, a direct problem with regard to this project that's been in the works for many years; has gone through extensive analysis; in hearing has garnered tremendous community support."

By his closing statement, Mr. Gaines does, in fact, support the Art Deco Society's petition by his request match the existing designation. Other than his false assertion "...in hearing has garnered tremendous community support", this is the section of his presentation with which I agree.

The designation he is referencing is found on pages 53-60 of **CHC-2018-3233-HCM-2**.

The State and Federal designation elucidated, in great detail, **the property**.

**United States Department of the Interior
National Parks Service, National Registry of Historic Places
Inventory -- Nomination Form**

On Page 6 (noted in bottom R corner), Section 10, **Verbal boundary description and justification**, the preservation officer takes care to specify, in detail, the entire Montecito property, not just a building.

There is nothing on the nomination form that specifies how the property may have been used in the past. Nor, at what period of time it may have been used. The description, for what is now the garden area, on the nomination form states "PAVEMENT".

Moreover, what it does provide is a clear description of what received the historic designation. This form also includes all the requisite references to the notable Hollywood personalities who have been positively identified as former residents. Thus, enhancing the property's historic standing.

Just as the Hollywoodland sign has gone through multiple incarnations and repairs with various construction materials, so too has the Montecito property. They and their environs are both an integral part of our Hollywood heritage and should be protected and preserved for future residents.

Please **support** the Cultural Historic Commission's **UNANIMOUS** recommendation and designate the entire property, defined above by The National Parks Service, as a Los Angeles City Historic Monument.

In granting this long overdue Historic designation you would bring the City of Los Angeles in line with the previous State and National designations of 07-18-85.

Yours Sincerely,


D. Stewart Farquhar

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Hollywood, CA 90028

RE: CHC-2018-3233-HCM, ENV 2018-3234-CE - THE MONTECITO - CF; 18-0412

Dear Council Members of the PLU M Committee:

The Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) unanimously recommended that the Montecito property, and its classic Hollywood landmark apartment building with impressive connections to the movie business, be recognized as a City of Los Angeles historic place. Keep in mind that the Montecito property earned National/ State honors 33 years ago. Make sure Los Angeles is up-to-date. Vote to SUPPORT the City's corresponding honors.

The 10-story Montecito, built in 1931, is a great example of Art Deco with a Mayan influence. The spectacular windows, visible on all sides of the building, highlight the property's majesty. Architect Marcus P. Miller artistically used open space to create the illusion that the property is larger than it actually is. How appropriate for historic Hollywood! In today's world of monotonous big box projects, the property's design offers welcome visual relief.

Celebrate Hollywood magic. Vote to SUPPORT City honors for the Montecito property.

(English translation from Russian by someone I trust.)

Sincerely,

Serg Shlak




Re: СНС - 2018 - 3233 - НСМ, епв 2018 - 3234 - се the
Montecito - CF; 18-0412

Дорогие члены Совета PLLIM Комитета,

Комиссия по культурному наследию (СНС) единодушно рекомендует признать Montecito достояние, его классический Толмивудский памятник с его впечатляющими связями с киноиндустрией, как историческое место города Лос Анджелесе. Умейте ввиду, что 33 года назад Montecito выиграла Национальную и Государственную честь называ-ся историческим памятником страны и штата 10-этажный Montecito, построенный в 1931, является прекрасным примером Арт Деко с впечатляющей куьтурой Майя. Зрелищные окна, видные со всех сторон здания, под-черкивают величиевенность.

Архитектор Маркус Миллер художественно использовал открытое пространство, чтобы соз-дать иллюзию того, что Montecito гораздо больше, чем на самом деле. Как поуходит для исторического Толмивуда!

В сложнейшем мире монотонных больших кор-бок, дизайн этой собственности предлагает желанное зрительное облегчение. Чествите. Толмивудское чудо! Голосуйте за поддержку Montecito. Искренне
Сержи Улак: 

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RE: CHC-2018-3233-HCM, ENV 2018-3234-CE – THR MONTECITO – CF: 18-0412

Dear Council Members of the PLUM Committee:

Please follow the unanimous recommendation of the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC) and recognize the Montecito property with a Los Angeles City Historical Designation. By the way, Los Angeles would be playing a long neglected catch-up with the 33 years-old National/ State Historical Designation.

There is so much to learn from and celebrate in and about the Montecito property. It's more than its Art Deco design with Mayan influence. It's not just its striking long columns of artistic windows and the enjoyable use of decorative features. The nearly 90-year-old property teems with Hollywood history. It's part of what the tourists come to see.

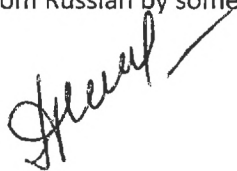
Architect Marcus P. Miller even employed Hollywood magic as he used open space to give the illusion that the property is bigger than it actually is. He used natural light to benefit those within and charm those who viewed from without.

Show that Los Angeles recognizes the unique gem that it has in the Montecito property.

SUPPORT its Historical Designation.

(English translation from Russian by someone I trust.)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Irina Peonina', written over a horizontal line.

Irina Peonina

Дорогие члены совета PLUM Комитета,
Пожалуйста, следуйте всем рекомендациям
Комиссии культурного наследия (СНС) и
признайте Montecito собственностью Историче-
ческой культурной территории наследия Лос Анджелес.
О Montecito можно многое узнать. ^{Многое}
это больше, чем Арт Деко с видами на
Майя Культуру. Это не только впечатляю-
щие глинные колонны художественных
декоративных окон. Это почти 90-летнее
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которую постоянно посещают туристы.

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интерьер, что Montecito больше, чем на
самом деле. Он использовал натуральное
свет, чтоб порадовать тех, кто внутри, и
очаровать тех, кто наблюдает извне.

Покажите, что Лос Анджелес признаёт
Montecito собственностью своим уникаль-
ным драгоценным камнем.

Поддержите это историческое признание.

Перевод с английского на русский язык
Тем, кому я доверяю.

Искренне

Лилия Пискева

СНС-2018-3233-НСМ

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SUPPORT the unanimous recommendation of the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC). Bestow a City of Los Angeles Historic Designation on the Montecito property. Give future generations the flavor of classic Hollywood's majestic Art Deco and Mayan influence.

The younger generation excels at researching information. Shouldn't they be entitled to know that Hollywood's home town doesn't turn a blind eye towards contributions to its heritage, like the Montecito? The internet would tell all. Your action will become part of that legacy also.

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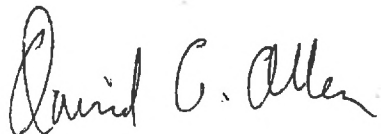
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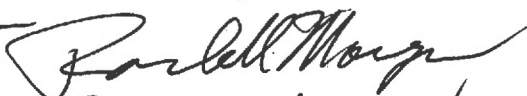
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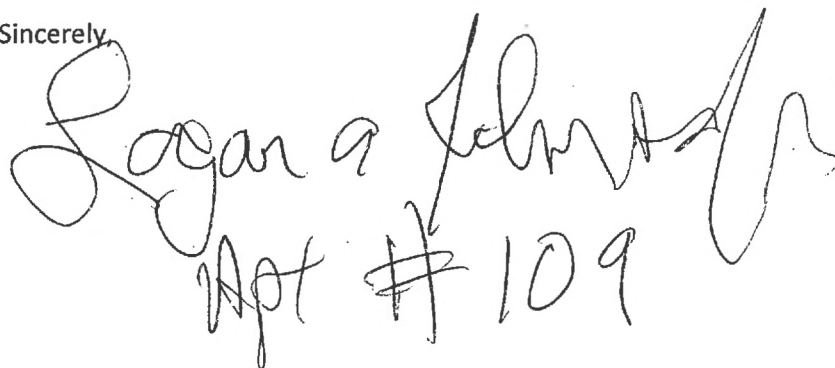
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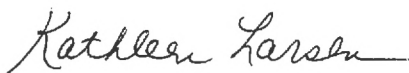
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Kathleen Larsen

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RE: CF 18-0412 – S1 Montecito II Project

RE: CHC-2018-3233-HCM

Dear Council Members of the PLUM Committee:

Today you can easily bring Los Angeles up-to-date with your SUPPORT of the recent unanimous recommendation of the Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC). You can do this when you recognize Hollywood's Montecito property as a City Historic Cultural Monument.

It was 33 years ago that the Montecito property was honored with National and State recognition. So, as I am sure you would agree, it's about time that LA caught up.

The CHC was rigorous in its work to arrive at its recommendation to you, amending the staff's initial findings. CHC looked at the 33 year-old signed document for inclusion on the National Register, affirmed by the State Historic Preservation Officer, on Page 6, Part 10, defining the subject for the honor:

"Lot 11 and north half of Lot 12, Block 2 of the Hollywood Ocean View Tract, City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles."

In other words, the ENTIRE property is honored by Nation and State, which also lauds the Montecito property's Hollywood role.

Please SUPPORT this long-overdue City honor for the Montecito property.

Sincerely,



Steven Sambol

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Do not disturb the seniors and disabled

Sincerely,



Emil Sztucinski

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Gail Coviello (a/k/a Gail Silver)