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Comments for Public Posting: CHILE BOWL-WEST L.A. The Chile Bowl is one of those rare structures that still exists in fewer and fewer places. There used to be a time when architecture was fun, creative and imaginative. As time has passed, few of these buildings are left. The mantra for many developers is 'knock it down.' Well, this is one case where I disagree. I grew up on the West side of Los Angeles and Chile Bowl was one of those buildings that used to fascinate me no matter how many times I saw it. Compared to the boring 4 walls and a ceiling boxes being built these days, that building sparked the imagination. It literally DID look like a it could have been a big bowl of chili or some other kind of food. I loved eating there too. The circular interior was as amazing as the exterior. That circular room has more character and style than a modern new building three times it size. The phrase, "they don't build them like that anymore" is, unfortunately, true. Thus, we need to preserve the buildings that we still have. The Chili Bowl is a part of Los Angeles' architectural history. We still have time to save it so that future generations can see a little bit of old Los Angeles. I STRONGLY request that this building be given historical landmark status!