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Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
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Re: Council File No.: 25-1518 - Appeal of Building and Safety Commission's Approval of Demolition Permit for Barry Building Located at 11973 San Vicente Boulevard

Dear Committee Members:

As land use counsel for the owner of the subject property located at 11973 San Vicente Boulevard (“Subject Property”) and applicant (“Applicant”) for a permit to demolish (the “Demo Permit”) the two-story former commercial building on the Subject Property commonly referred to as the “Barry Building.” I am sending this letter to provide the enclosed report from the structural expert firm of WSP that responds to a letter from Alpha Structural, Inc. that was submitted on November 15, 2025 by the appellant Angelenos for Historic Preservation (“Appellant”) in support of its appeal of the Building and Safety Commission’s approval of the Demo Permit. As the WSP report demonstrates, the report from Alpha is substantially incomplete and does not address many of the structural and seismic and deficiencies in the Barry Building.

Sincerely,



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