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Subject: URGENT: Support Preservation of the Barry Building, City Council File 25-1518 (Item #14 on the March 6 Agenda)

Dear Councilmember Park,

Thank you for seconding the motion to reconsider the decision regarding the Barry Building. I truly appreciate your willingness to ensure that this issue receives the full attention it deserves.

I am writing because it is difficult to understand how our city can rally to save something like the The Brady Bunch house, while allowing a remarkable Mid-Century building like the Barry Building to be threatened with demolition. This building is not only architecturally significant, it is part of the cultural and visual fabric of Los Angeles. It carries history, character, and a sense of place that cannot be replicated once it is gone.

It's my understanding that the public testimony at the February 24 PLUM meeting was unfortunately marred by a lack of quorum. Many people took the time to speak and participate, yet the process did not unfold in the way it should have. This Friday presents an opportunity for the Council to ensure procedural fairness and to give the matter the thoughtful consideration it deserves.

The Barry Building is officially designated as Historic-Cultural Monument #887. That designation should mean something. If the City does not honor its own landmark protections, it risks undermining the entire preservation framework that safeguards important architecture throughout Los Angeles. Allowing the destruction of a designated HCM, especially one that represents such an important chapter of Mid-Century Modern design, would set a deeply troubling precedent across the city.

Los Angeles has always been defined by its architectural diversity and history. Buildings like the Barry Building contribute enormously to the character of our neighborhoods and the identity of the city itself. By saving the Barry Building, we are building on Los Angeles's incredible architectural legacy. Part of architecture and its importance in the community is how it actually functions. The Barry Building was an incredible success until the current owners decided to systematically dismantle its relationship to the community by vacating its tenants and leaving it to rot.

For these reasons, I strongly urge the Council to grant the appeal this Friday and protect this important landmark.

Thank you for your time and for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Subject: URGENT: Support Preservation of the Barry Building, City Council File 25-1518 (Item #14 on the March 6 Agenda)

Dear Councilmember Park,

Thank you for seconding the motion to reconsider the appeal to save the Barry Building. It is vital that this item receives the full attention it deserves.

The public testimony at the 02-24 PLUM meeting was marred by a lack of quorum. This Friday is the chance for the Council to correct that.

I was a long time patron of Dutton's Bookstore and appreciate the significance of the Barry Building.

The Barry Building is HCM #887. The City must honor its own landmark designations and protect this Mid-Century Modern treasure. Destroying this HCM would set a dangerous precedent citywide.

Please urge the Council to grant the Appeal this Friday.

Thank you for your efforts to preserve Los Angeles history.

Tina Gittelsohn

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Dear Councilmember Park,

Thank you for seconding the motion to reconsider. It is vital that this item receives the full attention it deserves.

The public testimony at the 02-24 PLUM meeting was marred by a lack of quorum. This Friday is the chance for the Council to get it right.

The Barry Building is HCM #887. The City must honor its own landmark designations and protect this Mid-Century Modern treasure.

Destroying this HCM would set a dangerous precedent citywide.

I ask that you please grant the appeal this Friday.

Thank you for your dedication to preserving Los Angeles History!

Best,

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Subject: Subject: URGENT: Support Preservation of the Barry Building, City Council File 25-1518 (Item #14 on the March 6 Agenda) Mid-Century Modern treasure.

Hello Councilmember Park, thank you for seconding the motion to reconsider.

These are my concerns:

The Reconsideration: It is vital that this item receives the full attention it deserves.

Procedural Fairness: the public testimony at the 02-24 PLUM meeting was marred by a lack of quorum. This Friday is the chance for the Council to get it right.

Landmark Status: The Barry Building is HCM #887. The City must honor its own landmark designations and protect this Mid-Century Modern treasure. Destroying this HCM would set a dangerous precedent citywide.

The Ask: Urge the Council to Grant the Appeal this Friday.

Please please consider - no, please grant the appeal this Friday.
With consideration,
Renée Petropoulos

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From: Andrew Davis <azdavis@mac.com>
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Councilmember Park,

I have lived in Brentwood for 23 years and before that Santa Monica. My kids grew up running around the courtyard of the Barry Building when we would go to buy books at Duttons. Both of my boy are great appreciators of Mid Century architecture. I have to believe that those days being at the Barry Building and other Mid Century buildings in LA gave them the aesthetic they have as adults.

Its crucial that the Barry Building remain in place as the icon that it is. San Vicente does need another stripmall block or office building of dubious design. As HCM #887, its important that the The City honor the landmark designation and protect this architectural treasure. Destroying this HCM will set a dangerous precedent that could have citywide repercussions.

Thank you for seconding the motion to reconsider the preservation of the Barry Building. Please make sure this item gets the attention it deserves at the next meeting. Since the public testimony on 2/24 was marred by lack of a quorum, this Friday is that last chance for the Council to get it right.

Please urge the Council to grant the appeal this Friday.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Andrew Davis

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From: Rory Cunningham <mrroryofhollywood@icloud.com>
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Subject: Preservation of the Berry Bldg., City Council File 25-1518

- Dear Commissioners and Council Members,

It is vital that the Berry Building gets a full hearing to preserve its LA-HCM status. It is important that the LA City Council honors its own landmark designation and protect this Mid-Century Modern treasure. IF the City Council fails to protect HCM #887, this would set a dangerous precedent for all HCM throughout the city.

Please grant an appeal for the Berry Bldg. HCM #887 at your meeting this Friday.

Respectfully,

Rory Cunningham
Owner of the B. H. Hiss House
HCM 792

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Thank you for your time and for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Christine Meleo Bernstein

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Thank you for your time and hard work,

Stevie Howell

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