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## Subject: Support for Designation of 3022 30th Street Frederic and Vida Rhodes / Alexander Schreiber House

Dear Ms. Segur:



The North Park Historical Society (NPHS) is pleased to support the historical nomination of 3022 30<sup>th</sup> Street (Frederic and Vida Rhodes / Alexander Schreiber House) for designation under Historical Resources Board Criteria C and D. This address is in the NPHS Historical Building Permit database on our website at <u>www.northparkhistory.org</u> in Tablet 8, listed under houses built by Alexander Schreiber with the building permit pulled March 5, 1920. We agree with the findings in the Historical Nomination report, including those quoted below.

**Designation under Criterion C** (*Embodies distinctive characteristics of a style, type, period, or method of construction or is a valuable example of the use of indigenous materials or craftsmanship): "The dwelling retains the character defining element of the Clipped Gable Craftsman, Slat vents, a partial width porch, clipped gable roof, exterior brick chimney, horizontal wood siding, and wide window casing. This is combined with the colonial style, side gable roof, symmetrical façade, and round columns and boxed cornices...The house becomes eclectic with the addition of the rolled roof of a Cotswold revival cottage...By mixing elements Schreiber was moving forward into the revival forms of the 20's...Schreiber's attention to detail and superb craftsmanship is reflected in the high-quality material used to construct the house."* 

**Designation under Criterion D** *(Is representative of a notable work of a master builder, designer, architect, engineer, landscape architect, interior designer, artist or craftsman):* "Alexander Schreiber is listed as owner on the water connection issued March 5<sup>th</sup>, 1920, and again on the sewer connection June 21, 1920. Southwest Building & Contractor v 55 in 1920 notes Schreiber building at 3022 30<sup>th</sup> St. The completed house was then sold in July 1920...In his early years, 1915-1919 Alexander Schreiber built 7 different houses in South Park, all were variations of the craftsman style...Schreiber then headed north, following the completion of the trolley line, building in North Park in 1917, 1918 (Burlingame) and 5 houses in 1919. All were Craftsman in style except the house on Pershing (Oregon in 1919) which uses his new colonial vocabulary...in 3022 30<sup>th</sup> St in North Park Schreiber went wild. Not only did this clipped gable craftsman use the colonial vocabulary developed with Hurlburt he added a Cotswold revival rolled roof...In 1990, the City of San Diego recognized Schreiber as a Master Builder and 17 houses he built have been historically designated."

Thank you for incorporating this letter of support into the public record for the meeting of the HRB when this historic home is considered for designation.

Sincerely,

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Stephen Hon, President North Park Historical Society