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December 3, 2013

Ms. Cathy Winterrowd Principal Planner Development Services City of San Diego 1222 First Avenue, Fifth Floor San Diego, CA 92101

Re: Potential Historic Resource at 7727 Lookout Drive

Dear Ms. Winterrowd:

The La Jolla Historical Society stands in support of designation of the property located at 7727 Lookout Drive in La Jolla on the basis established by the Historical Report submitted by Dr. Diane Kane on behalf of the neighborhood. We recognize that the property owner has the right to ask for a continuance at the upcoming HRB hearing, although our preference is to advance the designation consideration. Our position is predicated upon HRB Policy regarding separation of designation actions from project reviews, with designation leading future project plans and not vice versa. We concur that the logical process is the one established by HRB Policy, which is to designate the property on the sole basis of the property's significance and historical value, and once designated, pursue a project consistent with U.S. Secretary of Interior Standards.

We wish to make known that the property owner has been very forthcoming and cooperative with the Society, and we are grateful to him for involving us at an early stage in the planning process. We recognize and respect that HRB may approve a continuance as requested, and we look forward to ongoing discussions with the owner towards an appropriate and successful outcome. We believe a solution can be achieved which is consistent with the historic value of the site, provides the owner with a proper return on investment, and maintains and enhances the neighborhood's scale and character.

Sincerely,

Heath Fox Executive Director