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**From:** Robert Gutierrez <robertgutierrez83@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2016 1:45 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Kevin  
**Subject:** The Pinney House - Please approve development

Hello Kevin,

I received word on the possible tear down of the building on 180 S Euclid via the Nextdoor website. While many people oppose the development, I think it is a necessary step to increase the amount of housing available in our city. Pasadena, as well as much of Southern California, is an a severe housing shortage which is driving prices out of the reach of first time buyers. While I do believe that preserving historical buildings is important to keep the charm and uniqueness of Pasadena, denying development in a very walkable, desirable and accessible part of town is shortsighted and will only exacerbate the housing crisis. Please consider allowing the development to take place.

Thanks,  
Robert

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Robert Gutierrez  
(562) 240-3815

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**From:** Brandon M Farley <farleybrandon@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2016 7:59 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Kevin  
**Subject:** 180 South Euclid

Kevin,

I just learned via the Nextdoor application and neighbors that a proposed development would demolish a supposedly historic structure at 180 South Euclid. Your email address was provided as a person to voice an opinion.

I googled the address. For a few reasons, I fully support developing the property.

If a non profit or private sector wished to purchase and preserve the property, I'd support that, but I sure hope my public dollars wouldn't go to preserve it!

- I keep in mind that Pasadena has 100's or 1000's of homes that are of similar age and this one is no more special.

- I own a home from 1924. Would mine be next for preserving and keeping me from up-developing? Gosh, mine is not special either.

- Like another poster said, California needs housing! Although I am an owner and riding a nice wave, prices are ridiculous. We need greater supply and do whatever we can do to make housing more affordable. And, the City of Pasadena also has a legal responsibility to enable development to keep up with its fair share as defined by the State of CA.

- The location of the property at 180 South Euclid is in a horrible location for housing. It's literally already in the shadow of a short office tower.  
The back yard is a parking lot from fence line to fence line.

Thank you,  
Brandon Farley  
1888 East Villa

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Fritz Lareau <fritzikay@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 1:04 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Please preserve Euclid House..

Cheers to the council for upholding the historic preservation of this home.

As a native Californian, I support the preservation of our remarkable architectural heritage.

Please do not let this building be demolished by developers.

Thank you,

Fritzi

Fritzi Lareau  
(650) 759-6665 (cell)  
(650) 365-1810 (home)

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**From:** Mary Stark <mstark@beverlyhills.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:45 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House advocacy

Good afternoon:

I urge the Pasadena City Council to uphold the historic status of the 1906 Pinney House, designed by C.W. Buchanan.

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**From:** Mark Woods <markwoods9@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:45 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Save the 1906 Pinney House

Please make this house a landmark. Keep Pasadena unique and wonderful.

Francis M. Woods  
Large Format Fine Art Black & White Still Photographer  
Director of Photography  
Pasadena, California  
<http://www.markwoods.com>

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**From:** laura houston <laurahouston7999@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:47 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** PINNEY HOUSE ON EUCLID

**Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council:**

**I am writing to you today to please ask that you not allow the Pinney house to be torn down. This is a historic property and it should be saved. The design commission has already reviewed this and determined that it is a landmark property. Do not allow the owner to tear it down. Pasadena has already lost so many wonderfully historic buildings and we do not need to lose another.**

**Thank you for your time,**

**Laura Houston  
626-688-1954**

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**From:** Lipsig, Ethan <EthanLipsig@paulhastings.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:48 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Message to Mayor and City Council about 180 S. Euclid Appeal to be Considered this Coming Monday

Please give the following message to the Mayor and City Council members:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council Members:

I urge you to refuse to overrule the Design Commission's repeated decisions that 180 S. Euclid is an eligible historic resource, thereby preventing the developer who recently purchased that property (knowing that it was historic) from demolishing it. The consensus of historic preservation experts is that the property is historic. Unsurprisingly, the only dissenter is the person the developer hired. The City Council should leave historic status determinations to impartial experts, including its Design Commission.

Admittedly, the block on which 180 S. Euclid is located, sad to say, has been developed poorly; it is an unattractive mix of new and old buildings. Likewise, 180 S. Euclid is unlikely ever to be considered one of Pasadena's jewels, even though it unquestionably is historic. Some might say that both or these are good reasons for permitting 180 S. Euclid to be demolished, likely to be replaced by an unremarkable building at best. But I urge the City Council not to be swayed by any such arguments.

The City has enacted laws and adopted policies to protect its historic structures. 180 S. Euclid clearly qualifies for this protection. What some of us might find unattractive or historically unimportant, others regard as significant. Those disagreements should be resolved by applying the standards and rules in Pasadena's historic preservation ordinances and policies, rather than on an ad hoc basis.

Very truly yours,

Ethan Lipsig

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**From:** Denise Hahn <robindenise@me.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:50 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Please preserve the Pinney House from demolition!  
Our beautiful and charming city is so much more than a collection of high-density high-rises!  
Please keep it intact and let's keep what is the heart and soul of Pasadena an attraction for people to come to live, and to visit here.

Thank you  
Denise Hahn

Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** Nan meritt <nanmeritt08@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:52 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and council Members,

What differentiates Pasadena from many other cities in the San Gabriel Valley? Part of the answer is that Pasadena values and conserves its older historic neighborhood. Once these neighborhoods have been "broken" its very hard to respect and preserve remaining structures.

Look at the care and craftsmanship that went into constructing this home. Then compare it with today's rapidly multiplying, look alike new construction.

C'mon, let's respect and protect what makes Pasadena such a special place to live.

Thank you,  
Nan Merritt

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**From:** John <laahjk2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:55 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

To Mayor Tornek and Members of the Pasadena City Council,

Please do not allow the historic, beautiful, and architecturally significant Pinney House to be destroyed for the short-term gain of an individual developer who does not value Pasadena's unique heritage. Pasadena's historic fabric, along with its many cultural amenities, and the diversity of its population all make it a very desirable and special place in which to live. If its historic heritage is destroyed, Pasadena as a vibrant community will be severely compromised, including its real estate values. The historic appearance of much of Pasadena is one major component of what makes it so attractive. If its history is destroyed, will tourists still wish to visit the city, or will people who now would love to live in the city still wish to do so?

I live in Orange County, and frequently visit Pasadena, a place and city I truly value and enjoy. As much as I love and honor Southern California's history, I truly lament the practice of destroying the record of our past that so often occurs here, almost always so that rapacious developers can profit, not the community that is immeasurably altered as a result of such short-sighted designs.

Again, please, please make sure that the Pinney House is not destroyed. It is irreplaceable. Would the Pasadena City Council allow the Gamble House to be torn down? No, absolutely not. So please don't let another historic, although more modest, building be torn down. What is destroyed can never be replaced. The Pinney House truly merits its landmark status.

Thank you.

John Koegel  
Anaheim, CA

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**From:** Alison Spicer <a.spicer@arg-la.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 3:56 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Binney House

Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council –

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision that the 1906 Binney House retains its landmark eligibility. The absolute last thing this city needs is another high density project. Pasadena is losing its charm and neighborly feel. Having been born and raised in east Pasadena, I have experienced the loss of many quaint and charming homes to overbuilt 'fortresses' where everything is hidden behind a fence and you never get to meet your neighbor.

Allowing this landmark to be demolished would be a shame.

**Alison Spicer, LEED AP**  
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**From:** marc\_letty@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:00 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

To: mayor terry tornek and members of Pasadena city council:

I encourage you to support the Design Commission's prior recommendation that the Pinney House maintain its landmark heritage status. You need to support historical residences in this city and limit the continued approval for the building of dense housing/business projects!

Thank you.

Leticia Valenzuela/Marc LaRiviere  
660 S Los Robles Ave 91106

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Nord Eriksson <neriksson@eptdesign.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:00 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House - Please Save our This Structure!

To Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the Pasadena City Council,

This letter is to ask you to vote to save from demolition the historic Pinney House located on South Euclid. While I'm an advocate for sensitive infill development in our City, I do not believe this should come at the expense of removing significant structures of historic value.

Thank you working for the greater good of Pasadena, past and future!

Respectfully,

nord

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**From:** Cheryl Bode <cheryl.ann.bode@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:08 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council Members,

It is with great concern that I am writing to you because of the potential loss of the above referenced historic home that the Design Commission has deemed historic and worthy of landmark status. To lose another historic home so a developer can build a modern, densely populated housing complex continues to move the City of Pasadena one step further away from ruining what originally made this City great - beautiful architectural homes that are iconic.

I urge the entire City Council to save the Pinney House so, we the City of Pasadena, may maintain some of the finest examples of architecture in the country for generations to visit and learn from. Once these treasures are demolished they are gone forever and so is part of the history and magic that has made Pasadena a unique place to live.

Thank you for your consideration on saving this historic home and upholding the Design Commission's decision.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Bode  
560 Glen Court  
Pasadena, CA 91105

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**From:** Kathryn.A.Fogarty@kp.org  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:10 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Hi,

I can't believe that the city would even consider allowing this gem to be torn down to feed the greed of some ridiculous developer. Surely there are other lots in the city where they could chose to build without tearing down something iconic. **STOP THE MADNESS!!**

Sincerely,  
Dr. Kathryn Fogarty

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**From:** Jennifer Kemp <jkemp@ldschurch.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:12 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Binney House

Mayor Terry Tornek,

The 1906 Binney House is historic simply because it was built in 1906 in California. I live in a bungalow that was built in 1913. These homes are sturdy and the reason mine and the Binney house are still standing is because they can take the wear and tear of many years. It is the way they are built. The architect for the 1906 Binney House had a respect for the land and how the house sat in it. It may not look like it once did, but it is a part of this city's history. There are a LOT of condos getting built in Pasadena right now. This home just needs the care that Old Town once did. Old Town Pasadena was a place in which your mom told you to roll up the windows and lock the doors. It was because it was so ignored that we have that money-making part of the city today. Please don't tear this home down. It is a part of what Pasadena once was and it was built in a time when architects had respect for the land. Colorado used to have a lot of beautiful homes on it. Please don't do away with any of the last old homes that represent our history and a time in which values were more simplistic and it wasn't about the almighty buck. Let this house stay in its place. We are lucky to have it. C.W. Buchanan only came here from Indiana for his health.

Charles was born in Indiana in 1852 and came to Pasadena for his health in 1889 according to Western Architect and Engineer, Volume 12, although other sources have differing dates. His father, JA Buchanan and family were also in Pasadena and he, among other things, was instrumental in the design of the Mt. Wilson trail.

Jennifer Kemp  
986 South Marengo Avenue  
Pasadena, CA 91106



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**From:** Tania Owen <kicza@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:14 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Message for Mayor Tornek

Dear Mayor,

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision regarding saving the Binney House on South Euclid. I was born and raised in Pasadena and am very upset about the loss of old buildings in Pasadena. Pasadena is a beautiful city and part of its charm is its variety of interesting older architecture. Every time one of these old structures is razed for new construction, part of our city's character and history is gone forever. Please do not let this house get torn down.

With gratitude,

Tatiana Owen

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**From:** Diana Britt <dkbritt@charter.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:14 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** PINNEY HOUSE LANDMARK ELIGIBILITY

Dear Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council,

Next Monday, I understand the City Council will take up the matter of the 1906 Pinney House's eligibility for historic landmark status, as designated by the Design Commission. The developer has appealed this decision and the Design Commission has upheld it twice. The current owner and developer believes that it is not eligible as an historic resource because he wants to demolish it and build a much higher density project on the site.

The attraction of Pasadena for most residents and visitors is its historic character, a character the City of Pasadena has, regrettably, not always been sensitive to. The Design Commission is best placed to determine the landmark eligibility of any property and they have three times (including the original decision and two appeals) decided that the Pinney House is eligible. We have more than enough dense housing projects underway in Pasadena, in any case. I urge you to uphold the landmark designation of the Pinney House at Monday's City Council meeting.

Thank you.

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Diana Britt  
280 Sequoia Drive  
Pasadena, CA 91105

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**From:** Petrea Burchard <pb@petreaburchard.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:16 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pasadena Heritage Advocacy Alert: 1906 Binney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council:

I know we can't preserve every old house in town. But:

There was an officer-involved shooting about a block from my house this morning. A few weeks ago, two blocks from my house, there were two shootings, one resulting in a death. In the past year, there have been gang shootings in Washington Park, La Pintoresca Park, Villa Parke, Robinson Park and Bungalow Heaven.

So here's my question: When we build high-density projects, are we projecting a higher-density police force? Are we ready to deal with the problems that come with a larger population?

Clearly, we are not. When we have the infrastructure in place to deal with an influx of population, then let's talk about it. But right now, we need more police officers on our streets before we build more buildings to house businesses and people that we, as a city, are unequipped to serve and protect.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Petrea Burchard Sandel  
Craftsman Heights  
District 3, Pasadena  
(626) 253-1441

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**From:** Pasadena Heritage <preservation@pasadenaheritage.org>  
**Date:** Fri, Apr 8, 2016 at 3:34 PM  
**Subject:** Pasadena Heritage Advocacy Alert: 1906 Binney House  
**To:** pb@petreaburchard.com

## **ADVOCACY ALERT:**

### **Your Support Needed for 1906 Pinney House!**

On Monday, April 11, the City Council will hear an appeal on the historic status of the 1906 Pinney House, designed by C.W. Buchanan in a unique Craftsman/Mission Revival style. The house is part of an enclave of historic structures on the east side of South Euclid, between Green Street and Cordova Avenue. Though determined eligible for landmark status three times in the past, the current owner and developer is making a case that it is not eligible as an historic resource because he wants to demolish it

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and build a much higher density project on the site.

The Design Commission has twice considered the matter and determined both times that the building retains its landmark eligibility. Pasadena Heritage also believes the building retains its character-defining features, its historic integrity, and is landmark worthy. The developer appealed the Design Commission's decision and is asking the City Council to overturn it. If successful, we will lose a distinctive example of early residential architecture, designed by a prominent Pasadena architect, that also contributes to a charming collection of modest historic buildings in the heart of downtown.

**YOU CAN HELP! PLEASE WRITE TO THE CITY COUNCIL TODAY AND ASK THEM TO UPHOLD THE DESIGN COMMISSION'S DECISION!**

**Send your message to the city clerk at: [mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net) and address it to Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council.**

Even one sentence supporting the Design Commission's determination will truly make a difference! Please take 5 minutes and do it today!

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Questions about Advocacy?  
Contact Preservation Director Jesse Lattig  
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**From:** Hilary Robertson <hiljon22@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:26 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** The Pinney House

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council,

I urge you to uphold the decision of the Design Commission regarding the historic status of the 1906 Pinney House, designed by C.W. Buchanan in a unique Craftsman/Mission Revival style.

As a Pasadena resident for the past 18 years, I have seen more and more large apartments, condos, and live/work developments built in our city. While I'm not opposed to growth and development, I am opposed to the destruction of our history.

The beautiful, historic gems are what make Crown City sparkle. Without these amazing houses, Pasadena loses something that many people are drawn to Pasadena for in the first place, which is a feeling of home - a great little downtown area, big, old trees, and unique, historic homes. Please don't let another developer destroy a beautiful example of early 20th century residential living in Pasadena.

Thank you for your time,

Hilary Scratch Robertson

(626)676-0752

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**From:** Chilk, Carol, LC-MR <carol@lc-mr.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:25 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Uphold Pinney House Historic Status

To Mayor Terry Torneek and members of the City Council

I am writing to urge you to uphold the Design Committee's recommendation regarding landmark status for the Pinney House.

We moved from Los Angeles to a historic home -- and neighborhood -- in Pasadena to escape the mansionization and high density development that is destroying LA's residential architectural history. We did this in part because we have faith in Pasadena's commitment to protecting and preserving its historic architectural assets. Developers do not lack opportunities for modern, high density development elsewhere, but historic homes are irreplaceable. Each one that is lost represents a missed chance to strengthen the sense of history that makes the environment and quality of life in Pasadena uniquely rewarding vs. other Southern California communities.

Please support Pasadena's commitment to preservation by supporting the protection of the Pinney house.

Thank you for your consideration,

Carol Chilk  
341 Adena Street  
Pasadena CA 91104

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**From:** George Corey <grcorey3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:23 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark; Tornek, Terry; Madison, Steve  
**Cc:** Bell, Cushon; Morales, Margo; West, Jana; De La Cuba, Vannia; Suzuki, Takako; Thyret, Pam  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Please log my support for upholding the Design Commission's decision to retain the property's landmark eligibility. There is so much current high density building both proposed and in the pipeline that there is no need to continue demolishing historic Pasadena properties by locally significant architects. The guidelines for demolition of historic or architecturally significant properties must be further strengthened.

George Corey

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**From:** Janet Beggs <jbeggs@brgslaw.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:36 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Appeal on 1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council:

Regarding the appeal on the 1906 Pinney House, I urge you to uphold the determination reached by the Design Commission **MULTIPLE TIMES** that the property is an architectural landmark and cannot be demolished.

It is your duty to support the citizens of Pasadena and our quality of life which is becoming more and more compromised by the ridiculous increase in **high density projects**. (1) It is quite frustrating that we have to severely limit our beautiful Pasadena landscapes while we watch high density buildings going up which *must be* using much more water than we possibly could have been. (2) All of the citizens of Pasadena are showing signs of the stress that these developments are causing. We are losing green space and air space - never to be seen again. Our streets are breaking apart from the increased use. The increased traffic is **TERRIBLE** and who is benefiting from it??? Developers? (3) What is with the arrogance of developers (who probably are not even local as they don't seem to have any appreciation for our unique architectural heritage)? (4) This is not Glendale! Please protect us from what is happening there. (5) It must be so frustrating for the Council to have to continually re-visit it's decisions. Why doesn't no mean no? Please don't let developers wear you down. Please do what is right for the citizens of Pasadena.

~ Janet Beggs ~





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**From:** Kathy Sturdevant <kathy.sturdevant@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:36 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Cc:** Gene Masuda  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council:

I am writing in favor of the historic preservation of the incredible Buchanan designed home known as the 1906 Pinney House. Pasadena prides itself on its historic homes so it was a surprise to me that this gorgeous estate is at risk. If the current owner does not appreciate it, then he/she should sell it to someone who does. These homes can never be replaced and once they are gone, they are gone forever.

The Pinney House has been deemed eligible for landmark status by the design commission and that status should be accepted. It is a remarkable home and should be respected.

Thank you,  
Kathy Sturdevant  
2315 Loma Vista St  
Pasadena, CA 91104

Kathy Sturdevant  
[kathy.sturdevant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathy.sturdevant@sbcglobal.net)  
<http://www.linkedin.com/in/kstur>

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**From:** Donald Berry <donaldberry8@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:37 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Please save the 1906 Pinney House

I am writing to express my support for the historical designation of the 1906 Pinney House. It is the historical architecture of Pasadena that gives this city its charm and livability. With every house that is lost, Pasadena loses some of its heart. Please protect the 1906 Pinney House.

Thank you,

Donald Berry  
470 Prescott st  
Pasadena, 91104

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**From:** JOYCE NEWMAN <joycnewman@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:37 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** The Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the Council:

As a happy citizen of Pasadena for over 33 years, and a worker in the historic overlay designation of the neighborhood I live in, I urge you strongly to prevent the destruction of another of our beautiful old buildings. Do not, please, permit the demolishing of the Pinney House.

Yours sincerely, Joyce K. Newman

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**From:** Toni Devereaux <toni\_devereaux@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:31 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Please protect the Pinney House! I know development is necessary for our city, but Pasadena is special because of its protection of our wonderful architecture.

Antoinette Devereaux

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**From:** Jeanne Adams <jgadams2006@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:31 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** The Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council,

The Design Commission has twice determined that Penney House retains its landmark eligibility.

Please do not give in to developers who want to turn Pasadena into a parking lot....one house at a time.

Please do not override the decision of your Planning Commission.

Regards,

Jeanne Adams  
Bob Frank

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**From:** Hedy Klinger <hedy.k@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:38 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and members of the City Council:

I would be truly saddened if I could not visit The Pinney House again. Please save this beautiful historic home.

Hedy Klinger

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**From:** Keri Franco <keri.franco@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:39 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House landmark status

Dear Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council,

I am writing today to ask you to uphold the design commission's decision that the 1906 Pinney House on South Euclid is eligible for landmark status.

I live just around the corner on Del Mar Blvd., and often walk down Euclid on my way to the Playhouse District. I have long enjoyed this stretch of South Euclid with its unique collection of historic buildings and would hate to see them demolished.

I believe this house is eligible for landmark status despite some changes over the years. It has characteristic features of the Craftsman/Mission Revival style, and the design commission has twice previously determined that the building is eligible. This house is one of the few remaining modest historic buildings in a neighborhood that is changing rapidly and I strongly believe it should be preserved.

thank you,

Keri Franco, DVM  
279 E. Del Mar Blvd.  
Pasadena, CA 91101

## **Jomsky, Mark**

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**From:** janet alvarez <humbuckinhoney@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:44 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

**To the Honorable Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council:**

**Gentlemen, I'm writing to you in regards to 1906 Pinney House, which has been determined eligible for landmark status three times. I understand that the present owner wishes to have this wonderful example of the Craftsman style (not to mention a prime example of Buchanan's work in his prime) declared ineligible for landmark status and demolished in order to make way for new construction.**

**The City of Pasadena has time and again proved itself a flagship in the fight to preserve the integrity of our heritage, our communities. Please, gentlepersons, do not allow this beautiful house (and home!) to be destroyed. Please save it for the sake of its lovely past, its beautiful present and its hopeful future.**

**thank you for your consideration.**

**Sincerely,**

**Janet Alvarez**



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**From:** Will Owen <nashwill912@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:52 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** To Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council

Aside from the Design Commission's two decisions in support of landmark status for the Pinney House on South Euclid, the rare exuberance of this 1906 treasure's design alone should ensure its worth as a civic keepsake. While many of Pasadena's preserved and protected landmark structures are worthy enough though modest in their demeanor, this lively gem deserves not only preservation but wider recognition as well. To condemn and pull down such an example, only to replace it with yet more of the soulless cookie-cutter developments that are clogging the heart of our city, would be a compound crime.

It's bad enough that generous lots of this kind are seen as fit only to be filled to the edges with yet another box, but to sacrifice a house such as this, unique in its design and execution, surely a marvel in its own time and now evocative of that era in ways that the more staid Craftsman works can't match, cannot be in any way an improvement to anything but someone's bottom line. Pasadena has shown itself to be better than that many times before. We have I think compelling reasons to do it again.

Please do uphold the Design Commission's determination.

Thank you!

Will Owen

1098 N Mentor Ave.  
Pasadena CA 91104

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**From:** Trudy Sanders <yatra9@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 4:55 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Attention: Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council

*I very strongly urge the City Council to uphold previous decisions to retain landmark status of the 1908 Pinney house. The house meets the standards for landmark status with its unique and beautiful architecture, and it deserves preservation.*

*I grew up in Pasadena and homes such as this one remind me of the unique history of the city, give me cherished memories of my own personal past and also the remembrance of a style, grace and integrity in design that is such a part of Pasadena's history. This house, and others like it, enhance the beautiful city of Pasadena and gives us all continuity between the past, present and future as we continually live with constant change.*

*Thank you for your consideration,  
Trudy Sanders*

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**From:** Sue Slutzky <suzyq42@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 5:18 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House on Euclid Ave.

Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council,

I've recently been made aware of an attempt by a developer to destroy a historic structure that should be designated a landmark, the Pinney House (built in 1908) at 180 S. Euclid Avenue. This house is an example of a rare residential Mission Revival Style structure that's still intact. I implore the City Council to uphold the Design Commission's decision to save this house. I believe it's a structure worthy of landmark status. It's an integral part of the neighborhood.

Thank you.

Sue Slutzky  
Board member of Hollywood Heritage, Inc.

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**From:** mmeovary@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 5:20 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council-  
I moved to Pasadena 18 months ago for a number of reasons, but most of all for the diversity of the architectural residences. A craftsman/mission revival house like this one deserves landmark protection. Please lend your collective voices to its preservation and support the Design Committee stance to protect this Pasadena treasure.

Many thanks,  
Connie Milner

221 So. Marengo Avenue, Pasadena CA (a historically landmarked building)

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**From:** Christine Rose <czrose@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 5:28 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Piney house

Please uphold the decision of the design commision. We need to protect our heritage

Christine Rose

## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** lesllou5 <lesllou5@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2016 8:15 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinned house

Please uphold decision on Pinney house  
Don't let vulture development take hold of our unique and precious vintage and historical looking homes that  
add beauty to Pasadena. .

Thank you  
Leslie Ladd

Sent from my Boost Samsung Galaxy S@4

## **Jomsky, Mark**

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**From:** Timothy Mulvehill <tmulvehill@lbschools.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2016 7:56 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Preserve the Historic Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council.

The 1906 Pinney House, designed by C.W. Buchanan in a unique Craftsman/Mission Revival style residential structure located in an enclave of historic structures on the east side of South Euclid, between Green Street and Cordova Avenue. Though determined eligible for landmark status three times in the past it is currently being threatened by development.

Please consider the importance of Pasadena's historic architectural legacy by preserving this important structure, and preventing any development plans on the site.

Best regards,

Tim Mulvehill

## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** Jesse Lattig <jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2016 7:52 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pinney House

I believe this email was intended for the Council, not Pasadena Heritage.

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Jesse Lattig  
Preservation Director  
PASADENA HERITAGE  
651 S. St. John Ave., Pasadena, CA 91105  
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[www.pasadenaheritage.com](http://www.pasadenaheritage.com)

----- Original message -----

**From:** Kathryn Dawson <kldawson60@gmail.com>  
**Date:** 4/11/2016 07:19 (GMT-08:00)  
**To:** [jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org](mailto:jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org)  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Director Lattig,

Having moved to Pasadena from northern VA a little over a year ago, I have often been struck by the beauty of the architecture of this lovely city. My husband and I are, in fact, in the process of purchasing a 1927 Spanish style house in east Pasadena and specifically chose the house because of its age and character.

When I read about the possibility of the historic Pinney House being purchased by a developer and subsequently demolished, I was very dismayed because it seems that such a unique and historic property should be cherished and preserved. I am writing to let you know that there are many people who chose to live in Pasadena because of houses like this one and I sincerely hope that the city will not allow this beautiful property to be forever lost.

I hope that you will take my comments into consideration as you move forward on this decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Dawson  
400 S. Los Robles Ave., #105  
Pasadena, CA 91101



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**From:** darrell@planningventures.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 8:09 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 180 S. Euclid Avenue on April 22 City Council agenda

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council:

I am writing you as a member of the Historic Preservation Commission. Because our commission has not reviewed this project, I am writing as an individual member of the Commission.

I am surprised this item is on your agenda for several reasons.

First, this property is as unique as one can find in Pasadena. As I told the Design Commission when they recently reviewed this matter, this is the only Mission Revival Bungalow in Pasadena that looks anything like this one. After I said that, the previous owner, Wayne Lusvardi, told the Design Commission that he had surveyed the City and found 31 other Mission Revival buildings in Pasadena. Following the meeting, I was able to obtain his list from the Planning Department. I looked at the buildings on the list and found confirmation of my original statement. While there are Mission Revival commercial buildings, Mission Revival multi-family buildings, and Mission Revival cottages, there are no other Mission Revival style houses with the Arts and Crafts plan and massing of this one. If you hear about this list on Monday night, please take it with a grain of salt. The other factor that makes this structure so unusual is that it is a very intact single-family residential building that demonstrates how much of downtown used to be residential, but is now office, commercial and multi-family.

Second, the staff brought this matter back to the Design Commission because they believe that the roof is not an original material. They believe that it is a metal roof designed to look like clay tile, whereas the original roof would have been true clay tile. When I passed by this beautiful structure, I always had thought it had a tile roof. It looks very much like a tile roof. In my 16 years as a planner for the City and a Historic Preservation Commissioner for the City, I believe this is the first time that an altered roof material was used to disqualify a building from landmark status. We never used that criteria before because roofs deteriorate. Wood roofs are replaced with asphalt shingles routinely in Pasadena. Are we now going to start penalizing owners of houses with asphalt shingle roofs? I guess so, especially if we disqualify this building whose roofing material looks every bit like the clay tiles it may have had originally.

Third, the staff report points out that this house was written up in Architect and Engineer in California magazine in 1908. This was a prestigious magazine in its time. How many other Pasadena houses were written up in this magazine in 1908? The Council should ask staff for this information before allowing the demolition of a building with such prestige in its time and in such good condition today.

Fourth, this matter is basically a CEQA controversy. It is a question of whether there would be a significant environmental impact if the building is demolished. CEQA says that whenever experts are debating whether there is an environmental impact from a project (for instance if one says there will be considerable air pollution and another says there will not be such an impact), in cases like that, the decision-maker must take the conservative approach and send the project to the next level of environmental review, which would be an Initial Study in this case. This matter is not ready for City Council consideration; it should be sent back for an Initial Study or the developer's request must be denied. Those are the only two choices the Council has in a matter of environmental controversy like this one.

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Many times I am sympathetic with owners who did not realize their properties were landmark-eligible. However, in this case, the owner knew it was landmark-eligible when he purchased the property a year or two ago, and the price he paid was reasonable, given it would be difficult to demolish. Therefore by denying the demolition, the City is not depriving him of any reasonable expectation of property value.

Thanks for considering my input.

Sincerely,

Darrell Cozen  
Historic Preservation Commissioner

## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** lollyx5@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 6:40 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Pasadena City Council,

I am writing in support of the 1906 Pinney House on Euclid Avenue, asking that it be protected as an historic landmark.

Pasadena has lost many irreplaceable architectural treasures over the years and with the recent increase in high density and commercial construction, every remaining historic structure is at risk. As the Design Commission has **twice** founded in favor of the Pinney House's historical status, it would be against the long term interest of the city of Pasadena to ignore their recommendation. Losing the Pinney House to yet another development is acting against the wishes of the city's long time residents as well as squandering the remaining historical architectural resources under your care.

Please do the right thing by upholding the Design Commission's recommendation for the Pinney House.

Thank you.

Lorraine Clearman,  
Pasadena native and 66 year resident

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**From:** Anthony Iatropoulos <a.iatropoulos@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 6:00 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

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Thank you.

Anthony Iatropoulos  
Pasadena Native

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**From:** Sally Fee <sallypfee8@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 4:41 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark

To Mayor Tornek and the City Council,

We believe the Pinney house should retain its Landmark status.

Sally and Steve Fee

## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** Kathryn Dawson <kldawson60@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 1:24 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek,

Having moved to Pasadena from northern VA a little over a year ago, I have often been struck by the beauty of the architecture of this lovely city. My husband and I are, in fact, in the process of purchasing a 1927 Spanish style house in east Pasadena and specifically chose the house because of its age and character.

When I read about the possibility of the historic Pinney House being purchased by a developer and subsequently demolished, I was very dismayed because it seems that such a unique and historic property should be cherished and preserved. I am writing to let you know that there are many people who chose to live in Pasadena because of houses like this one and I sincerely hope that the city will not allow this beautiful property to be forever lost.

I hope that you will take my comments into consideration as you move forward on this decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Dawson  
400 S. Los Robles Ave., #105  
Pasadena, CA 91101

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## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** Jill Frazee <jillfrazee@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 12:33 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council,

I encourage you to stand with the Design Commission regarding the landmark eligibility of the Pinney House for two reasons: 1) It adds beauty and peace to the street which a high density project would obliterate with the required extra traffic and street parking. It is nice to walk to the Paseo and see and feel the history of the unique period of Pasadena's history. Even if it is not architecturally untouched from the day it was built, it is still obviously a unique and old building and adds to the ambience of the tree lined street in a way a modern building could not. 2) In a democracy I think it is important for citizens to be involved. If the Design Commission can twice recommend a building for landmark status and the City Council would override it, what then encourages people to continue to serve on commissions if their opinions are so easily dismissed? It would truly weaken civic involvement which is vital to a democracy.

So for the sake of beauty and civic involvement, please uphold the commission's finding.

Sincerely,

Jill Frazee

Pasadena Resident

**Jomsky, Mark**

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**From:** Carlos Delgado <cdelg@att.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 11:16 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Pinney House

**Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council.**

**Please keep the Pinney House. It is truly a jewel for our city.**

**Regards,**

**Carlos Delgado**

**410 South Euclid Ave. Apt7**

**Pasadena ,CA 91110**

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Mayor Terry Tornek  
Members of the City Council  
City of Pasadena

Re: **Pinney House**

Dear Mayor Tornek, Council Members,

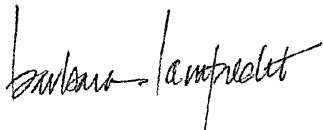
I urge you to uphold the consistent findings of the Design Commission and Pasadena Heritage, which finds the Pinney House eligible for designation as a historical landmark in the City.

The unusual, exuberant, and eclectic design of the house, blending Craftsman and Mediterranean Revival styles, adds to the richness so characteristic of Pasadena. It is precisely that depth of variety in our architecture that gives the City its unique position in Southern California.

Please act to preserve the house and Pasadena's diversity of architecture.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lamprecht, M.Arch., Ph.D.



## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** Randy Shulman <rshupas@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 10:29 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Cc:** jlatting@pasadenaheritage.org  
**Subject:** Communication to Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council re: Pinney House 180 South Euclid Ave

RE: Proposed demolition of the historic Pinney House at 180 So. Euclid Ave.

Dear Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council,

I am writing to demonstrate my concern about the proposed demolition of this structure that is both historic and character defining for the neighborhood. As the governing body responsible for the health, safety, welfare, and vitality of our community, I implore you to recognize and concur with the Design Commission that acknowledges a historic resource exists on this site which is well documented and important to preserve. Nothing about this structure's value and importance would have been hidden from the recent buyers of this property. They knew what was there when they bought it and they should expect that the community would fight to preserve the character defining value and historic significance of the structure. It is well within your discretion to reject this proposal and implore you to do so!

Pasadena is a great place to live and work because it has chosen to prioritize historic preservation and the retention of important elements of its architectural and cultural past. As a 20+ year resident, I ask you to please consider rejecting this proposed development.

Randy Shulman  
1907 Rose Villa St. Pasadena, CA

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**From:** Peter Saale <d2cpasadena865@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 9:59 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark; McAustin, Margaret  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Please uphold the Design Commision's decision for the 1906 Pinney house.

Peter Saale

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**From:** Pamela Seine <pamseine@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 9:03 AM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney house

Please, please, please help to keep Pasadena's beautiful and Historical homes. Pasadena is a special city. Please consider the homes that continue to make Pasadena special. We are already in grave danger of losing our city, becoming like every city. Pasadena MUST be protected!!!!!! I have lived here all of my life and have pride in my city. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, we have already lost so many lovely homes. some of the "THINGS" that have been and continue to be built should not have been approved. WE MUST FIGHT TO RETAIN OUR BEAUTIFUL CITY.

Thank you ,

Pamela Seine,

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**From:** PAULA JOHNSON <paulajohnson@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2016 7:49 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** The Pinney House...

Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council:

I just heard that the Pinney House may be in danger of being demolished. Please don't let that happen—especially not to allow something bigger, but not better.

Thanks for your hard work and service.

**Paula L. Johnson\***

P.O. Box 51096 | Pasadena, CA 91115 | 626-577-5593

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\*Creativity without the chaos

**Jomsky, Mark**

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**From:** Susan Narizny <ssnarizny@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2016 6:39 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** house on Euclid

Please preserve the historic Pinney house on Euclid. It's important to keep significant architectural works. Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Narizny

## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** tamppari <leslietamppari@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2016 6:35 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Subject:** Please save historic home

To: Mayor Terry Tornek:

Please preserve (do NOT demolish) the 1906 Pinney House.

Best regards,  
Leslie Tamppari  
1721 E Mountain St.  
Pasadena, CA 91104

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**From:** John Diele <john.diele35@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2016 5:34 PM  
**To:** Jomsky, Mark  
**Cc:** jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org  
**Subject:** 1906 Pinney House

Attn: Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council

Please uphold the Design Commission's Decision and dismiss the appeal.

'The Design Commission has twice considered the matter and determined both times that the building retains its landmark eligibility'.

This magnificent building deserved landmark status and time is of the essence. It should have been designated a long time ago. Our heritage is irreplaceable and is intrinsic to the unique inherent quality of life of Pasadena . . . and should be protected.

The current applicant obviously has his own interests in mind . . . and not those of the City of Pasadena or of the wonderful dedicated people who live here.

I am a staunch advocate of the landmarking process and have spearheaded the landmarking of most of the Upper West Side of Manhattan which included over 1500 individual buildings. I also hold the New York City record for the shortest time ever recorded for the landmarking of a building - six weeks from nomination to designation.

With changing EPA laws for the entire State of New York in the process.

Thanking you in advance for your attention given to this matter.

With my best,  
John Diele - 213-709-9335 - [www.RenaissanceManRestoration.net](http://www.RenaissanceManRestoration.net)

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