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November 1, 2018

The Honorable Terry Tornek, Mayor of Pasadena  
City Council Members  
City of Pasadena  
175 N. Garfield Ave.  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council Members:

Please support staff recommendation to approve Landmark Designation for the Whispering Waters condominium at 1000 Cordova, Pasadena.

Whispering Waters was built in 1960. The developer, Lionel Mayell, was a prolific builder of well-executed Modernist apartment buildings in Pasadena during the 1950s and 1960s, completing at least six projects in Pasadena. He is well-known and respected as a significant contributor to the Modernist style of architecture.

At Whispering Waters, Mayell expanded on the garden apartment theme that he had explored at Villa San Pasqual (declared a City landmark in 2005) and other multi-family dwellings, and took the concepts of modern indoor/outdoor living and connection with nature to a high-rise building.

I am a resident of downtown and live in a 1960s condominium building that I love and of which everyone in our homeowner's association is very proud. So I am pleased that City staff and the Historic Preservation Commission recognize the value our architecturally significant historic multi-family buildings bring to the City's downtown residential neighborhoods and historic core.

Thank you for your consideration and support of Landmark Designation for the Whispering Waters.

Sincerely,



Christine Fedukowski  
601 E. Del Mar Blvd, #408  
Pasadena, CA 91101

cc: Mr. Mark Jomsky, City Clerk  
Mr. Kevin Johnson, Senior Planner

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November 5, 2018

Mayor Tomek and City Council Members  
City of Pasadena  
100 North Garfield Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

RE: Support for Landmark Designation for 1000 Cordova Street (Whispering Waters)

Dear Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers:

Pasadena Heritage appreciates the opportunity to submit this letter in support of the Landmark designation for the multi-family residential building at 1000 Cordova Street (Whispering Waters). We have reviewed the staff report and concur that the property satisfies local Criterion "C" as an excellent example of a Mid-Century Modern garden apartment building by master builder and developer Lionel V. Mayell. We also agree that Whispering Waters retains sufficient integrity to convey its significant architectural associations.

Pasadena Heritage continues to be interested in the history, and concerned about the protection of, recent past resources in our city. Some years ago, we worked with Whispering Waters owners on issues related to front landscaping, seeking to find alternatives and establish enough support to keep the original water features there. We are especially pleased that Nancy Holt and the Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors initiated this nomination and hope that the City Council will approve the designation, per the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Sincerely yours,

Susan N. Mossman  
Executive Director

Adam F. Rajper  
Preservation Director

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## Jomsky, Mark

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**From:** coral crawford <coralcrawford@att.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 02, 2018 3:51 PM  
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Nov. 1, 2018

City of Pasadena Mayor and Council Members  
c/o Mark Jomsky, City Clerk  
City of Pasadena  
175 N. Garfield Ave.  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Dear Honorable Mayor Tornek and Pasadena City Council Members:

I support the designation of Whispering Waters as a City landmark and ask that you support the recommendation of staff and the unanimous recommendation by the Historic Preservation Commission to approve this designation.

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Pasadena is known for valuing and protecting its historic resources, and Whispering Waters is a stunning example of the unique historic architecture of the 1960s. I am pleased that City staff, the Historic Preservation Commission, and Pasadena residents alike recognize the value of both our historic single-family residences, and our multi-family apartments and condominiums that are the heart of the City's downtown residential neighborhoods.

I urge you to support the recommendations of staff and the Historic Preservation Commission to approve Whispering Waters as a City landmark.

Sincerely,

Coral Crawford  
1000 S. Orange Grove Blvd. #24  
Pasadena, CA 91105

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Nov. 1, 2018

Mr. Mark Jomsky, City Clerk  
c/o email ([mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net))  
City of Pasadena  
175 N. Garfield Ave.  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Dear Mr. Jomsky,

Attached is my letter of support for Whispering Waters Landmark designation. I ask that you please include my letter of support in the package for the November 5 City Council meeting.

Thank you,

Coral Crawford  
1000 S. Orange Grove Blvd. #24

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**Subject:** FW: City Landmark Designation for Whispering Waters

**From:** "Daniel H. III Sheehan" <dhs3@mac.com>  
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c/o Mark Jomsky, City Clerk  
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Sincerely,

Dan Sheehan

265 N. San Rafael Ave., Pasadena 91105