

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to express my strong support for the designation of Clinton Manor as a Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM). This 1940 American Colonial Revival-style property is not only architecturally significant but also holds deep historical and cultural importance for Los Angeles. Clinton Manor stands as a testament to Hollywood's early development, reflecting the thoughtful urban planning of the Depression-Era and the Garden City Movement's influence on housing for studio workers and their families. Beyond its architectural merit, the property has a unique place in cultural history as the home of Ruth and Elliot Handler, the visionary founders of Mattel and the creators of the iconic Barbie doll. Their time at Clinton Manor marked an early and experimental phase of their careers, making this site an invaluable part of our city's creative legacy. Designating Clinton Manor as an HCM will ensure the preservation of a remarkable community that has thrived for over 80 years. At a time when historic housing complexes are increasingly threatened, this designation would affirm the importance of protecting places that foster cultural and architectural continuity in Los Angeles. Thank you for your time and consideration.