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Subject: Oppose limiting the scope of preservation for Taix on 6/2

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Councilmembers, please oppose and reject the City Council's Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) committee recommendation and modified Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM) for Taix, which severely limits the scope of protection for the site to only two signs and a bar top, not the Taix historic building. Instead, pursue a preservation-based project and Historic-Cultural Monument that incorporates the Taix building and maintains its eligibility as a historic resource. Please:

- Pursue preservation alternatives that can achieve a "win-win" outcome, incorporating new housing construction with the existing Taix building, maintaining its eligibility as a historic resource. There are viable options available for achieving both housing and preservation goals. This may require a reduction in the number of market rate housing units and a partial preservation approach.
- Conduct an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). I believe Holland Partner Group's proposed project and demolition of the Taix building will result in significant impact. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary in this case to fully assess impacts and possible preservation alternatives that can be employed to address project objectives.

Sincerely,
Shelly Ray

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Dear Officials of Los Angeles

I am writing as a citizen who greatly cares about the community and the history of this City.

I am writing for a preservation-based project and Historic-Cultural Monument that incorporates the Taix building and maintains its eligibility as a historic resource.

Taix needs to be preserved.

I believe you can keep Taix and build the new building on the land that surrounds Taix.

Taix is a special place, you cannot "rebuild" a new one.

Everything has been thoughtfully constructed or designed to provide a special dining experience and insulate guests from the outside world. Even the most recent improvements have been done with extraordinary care to maintain the historic character and respect the original intent. This "Continental dining" environment reflects the post-war expansion of American taste and travel. Although this style was widespread, it is now rapidly disappearing; in fact, Taix is one of only four remaining restaurants of its kind left in Los Angeles. It cannot be replicated.

Taix is very popular, an essential Echo Park destination for people of all walks of life. The community has come together here for 70 years to celebrate events and make business connections, to watch the game or the band, to meet old friends and make new ones. It has a Wiki page, and "Taix Square" is the official city designation of that section of Sunset Blvd. It is the place itself that is authentically, organically inviting and unique. Please don't destroy it

And please do not change the laws of historic preservation- they are in place because we all voted for them. We urge you to follow the laws. We expect you to respect the need for history and cultural landmarks in this beautiful city

Thank you

Annie Sperling