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State Historical Resources Commission  
Meeting  
Napa City Hall  
Council Chambers  
955 School Street  
Napa, California 94559  
April 23, 2008  
9:00 a.m.

**APPROVED MINUTES****COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Donn Grenda, Ph.D. Chair, Prehistoric Archaeology  
Julianne Polanco, Vice Chair, Architectural History  
Alberto Bertoli, AIA, Architecture  
Bryan K. Brandes, Public Member  
Trish Fernandez, M.A., Historic Archaeology  
Fernando Guerra, Ph.D., Folklife  
Rick Moss, History  
Richard Shek, Ph.D., Ethnic History

**COMMISSIONER ABSENT**

David Phoenix, Public Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, State Historic Preservation Officer, Executive Secretary  
Stephen Mikesell, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer  
Jay Correia, State Historian III, Registration Unit Supervisor  
Patricia Ambacher, Staff Historian I  
Cynthia Toffelmier, Staff Historian II  
Twila Willis-Hunter, Staff, Executive Secretary  
Tara Lynch, Senior Staff Counsel

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Legal notice having been duly given and a quorum being present, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Chairman Grenda.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Grenda led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF**

The Commissioners introduced themselves; State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) Milford Wayne Donaldson introduced himself and the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff.

**IV. WELCOME**

Juliana Inman, Councilmember, City of Napa, welcomed the Commission to the City of Napa.

Cindy Heitzman, Executive Director of California Preservation Foundation, and Paige Swartley, also welcomed the Commission.

**V. RESOLUTIONS**

The Commission gave the following resolutions:

- A. Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park. Supervisor Ranger Eileen Bieckeli, Ranger Sandy Jones, Park Maintenance Supervisor Larry Vietti and the miller Eric Gerhardt accepted the resolution.
- B. California Preservation Foundation. Cindy Heitzman, Executive Director of the California Preservation Foundation and Paige Swartley, President of the California Preservation Foundation accepted the resolution.
- C. Napa County Landmarks, Inc. Juliana Inman, President of Napa County Landmarks, Sarah Van Giesen and Marie Dolcini Vice Presidents of Napa County Landmarks, Mary Ellen Boyet, Treasurer of Napa County Landmarks accepted the resolution.

Copies of the resolutions are attached to the original of these minutes.

**VI. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 1, 2008 MINUTES**

Chairman Grenda asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the February 1, 2008 meeting. Commissioner Polanco moved to approve the minutes, with a revision for clarification. Commissioner Fernandez seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

## **VII. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS**

- A. Chairman Grenda reported on his activities since the February 1, 2008, Commission meeting. The report is attached to the original of these minutes.

Chairman Grenda thanked those who assisted the Commission during the previous day's tours. They included Supervising Ranger Eileen Bieckeli, Ranger Sandy Jones, Park Maintenance Supervisor Larry Vietti, State Parks and Recreation Specialist Eric Gerhardt, and Gene Sneed of Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park; Naomi Miroglio, who led the tour of the Culinary Institute of American at Greystone Winery, and Ed Mictobich, who hosted a reception at Beringer Winery for the Commission.

- B. SHPO Donaldson reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes.

## **VIII. POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OF NOMINATED PROPERTIES**

Patricia Ambacher, State Historian I, and Cynthia Toffelmier, State Historian II of the Registration Unit, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the nominated properties.

Chairman Grenda removed the Pasadena Arroyo Parks and Recreation District from the Consent Calendar and placed it in the Discussion and Action Items section of the agenda.

## **IX. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES**

1. Orange Lawn  
Sonoma, Sonoma County  
Local Level of Significance
2. Southern Pacific Railroad Superintendent House  
Folsom, Sacramento County  
Local Level of Significance

### **B. CALIFORNIA POINT OF HISTORICAL INTEREST**

1. Charles Miller / Stationmaster's House  
Raymond, Madera County

Chairman Grenda asked the Commission for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Commission Guerra moved to approve the consent calendar. Commissioner Bertoli seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Lynn Northrop thanked the Commission and Cynthia Toffelmier for her work on Charles Miller/Stationmaster's House nomination.

**X. National Register of Historic Place Discussion and Action Items**

A. Apartments at 1342-1346 North Hayworth Avenue  
West Hollywood, Los Angeles County  
Local of Level of Significance

Commissioner Polanco disclosed that she spoke with Mr. Rusty Areias, a representative of the building's owner, and that the applicant and the nomination supporters attended one of the Commissions tours after the workshop. Commissioners Fernandez, Bertoli, Moss, Brandes, and Chairman Grenda stated the same.

SHPO Donaldson stated he met with Mr. Areias and the property owner, Mr. Michael Dubelko, on March 25, 2008. He also stated that he met with Brad Torgan, General Counsel, California State Parks; Tara Lynch, Senior Staff Counsel, California State Parks; Susan King, Director Community Development, City of West Hollywood; Christy Hogan, Deputy City Attorney, City of West Hollywood; and Maxine Montel lobbyist for the City of West Hollywood on March 26, 2008.

Patricia Ambacher read additional information from her staff report and stated that this nomination was continued from the February 1, 2008 meeting. At that meeting the Commission requested: 1) the applicant verify the construction history of the property; 2) OHP staff clarify with the City that it has read and commented on the National Register nomination for this property; and 3) OHP staff prepare an inventory of materials submitted for the February 1, 2008 SHRC meeting and those submitted for the April 23, 2008 SHRC meeting. Ms. Ambacher stated that the requests were met and additionally Mr. Dubelko had submitted documentation on the property's ineligibility for the National Register. All of these materials were given to the Commission.

Chair Grenda opened the floor to public comment.

Heavenly Wilson, the applicant, introduced Professor James Tice, Professor of Architecture at the University of Oregon and a registered architect in California. Professor Tice is also the author of *Courtyard Housing in Los Angeles*.

Professor Tice gave a PowerPoint presentation to explain the different characteristics of the courtyard housing type. Professor Tice discussed several aspects of the building. He stated that the property's key contributing elements are the fact that the buildings surround a courtyard and the light and the landscape revolves around that fact. Some of the landscaping has been confirmed by an arborist to date to 1924, the year the property was constructed. Professor Tice further stated that the courtyard type is part of a typology. Courtyards are not a pure type, but in fact there are many variations on the theme, but they are all courtyard buildings even if they are not pure. The subject property is an L-shaped courtyard with the garages in the back and the buildings surround the green space. The entrances into the building all happen off the green space. The main living spaces face the

green space and the courtyard. From an architectural point of view the courtyard is completed by the landscaping and it enhances the characteristics of the street and make it part of the public realm.

Ms. Wilson stated that at the last Commission meeting she was directed to research the construction history of the building. Ms. Wilson presented the results of her research that clearly showed that the nominated property was not owned by the same person as the adjacent property. Her research also revealed documents that describe the property as a six-unit, residential, courtyard apartment complex. Further research revealed that in 1924 a fountain was delivered to this property. Ms. Wilson also discussed the previous evaluations on this building which did identify the building as a potential historic resource.

Elaine Stiles, Program Officer for the Western Regional Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation (National Trust), spoke in support of the nomination on behalf of the National Trust and their local partner the Los Angeles Conservancy. She stated West Hollywood has a rich collection of early to mid-twentieth century small scale apartment buildings and modestly designed examples like 1342 North Hayworth that are very important contributors to the city's residential landscape. The National Trust has serious concerns that without adequate consideration of these resources there is great risk that these resources will be eradicated in West Hollywood.

George Credle, a private citizen of West Hollywood, spoke in support of the nomination. Mr. Credle asked the Commission to look at the property and how it contributes to the fabric of West Hollywood. Mr. Credle stated that this is an example of an architectural typology.

Mr. Michael Debelko, the property owner, stated the property's history shows it as not being unique, significant or historic. He stated that three separate consultants reviewed the property and determined it was not significant. The most current city survey did not identify the property as significant or unique.

Pam O'Connor, historian, preservation planner, and architectural historian at Kaplan Chen Kaplan stated the property does not meet the National Register standards. Ms. O'Connor conducted subsequent research since the February 1, 2008 meeting and her theory of shared ownership could not be presented. Ms. O'Connor stated that from the street the front building is oriented toward the street and not the courtyard. She stated the current survey identified the property as flats. Ms. O'Connor also stated the property lacked the workmanship in the application of the stucco and the buildings have been altered. Ms. O'Connor stated the property does not meet the National Register standards and the nomination does not provide documentation to support its listing.

Andrea Galvin, Galvin Preservation Association, commented on the suitability of the property for the National Register. Ms. Galvin stated the property does not belong on the National Register because the program relies on the uniform applicability of the criteria and if we are not careful on how the criteria are applied we will be too inclusive and diminish the program. As part of her

report she reviewed the list of buildings listed in the National Register in West Hollywood and visited the property. She also reviewed similar properties in the area that share the same context. She was surprised by the difference among the courtyard buildings and the typologies. In her opinion this property did not have the same visual feeling as other courtyard buildings. Ms. Galvin reiterated that this is not an important example.

Teresa Grimes, a consultant who was in the audience and had not reviewed the nomination, but has done extensive work in West Hollywood stated the property was never been identified in surveys to be eligible at the local level or the National Register. She further stated “we are all in trouble when a building that is modest or ordinary is considered eligible for listing in the National Register.”

Todd Elliott, of Truman and Elliott, attorney for Mr. Dubelko, explained to the Commission that the property did not have substantial evidence to place it on the National Register. Mr. Elliott stated that listing it would water down the National Register. Mr. Elliott reminded the Commission that they have to make their decision on substantial evidence and for the Commission to support the nomination would be incorrect.

Ms. Wilson rebutted the statements that five experts found this property not to be historic. The 1987 Johnson / Heuman city survey found this property to be a potential resource in the windshield survey. The firm Jones & Stokes found this property eligible for the California Register. Ms. Wilson stated that the only expert that did not find it qualified at any level was Kaplan Chen Kaplan, who was hired by the developer. The current survey conducted by the firm Architectural Resources Group had not assigned the building a status code, but their results described the building as a Spanish Colonial Revival building with good integrity.

Professor Tice rebutted that he hoped there was no further doubt that the property was courtyard housing. In his opinion it is an important example of its type. It fits into the neighborhood and has a moving and important presence. He stated the building was modest, but modest can mean different things to different people. This building is modest in that it fits into its context and blends into the neighborhood and is an important aspect of the neighborhood and has architectural merit.

Mr. Credle rebutted that the idea that this building would denigrate the National Register is disingenuous. He stated that in the process of historic preservation it is better to be more inclusive than less because once the history is gone it is gone forever.

Mr. Elliott rebutted that the applicant’s presentation pointed to the golden age of Hollywood and as he stressed to the Commission at the last meeting this building is not associated with the golden age of Hollywood. Mr. Elliott stated that the context must be looked at when making the evaluation. He further stated that as Pam O’Connor had indicated that this property was built as a house for the property owner and his family and the rear buildings were meant to be flats or rental property.

Mr. Debelko rebutted that the evidence and opinions presented conflict. He stated that the evidence does not support the property's eligibility for listing in the National Register. He closed by stating that this is not a building of good design or workmanship and it only an ordinary building and asked the Commission to not list the building.

Chairman Grenda closed the public comment period on this nomination.

The Commissioners recessed at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 11:14 a.m.

Chairman Grenda opened the floor to Commission discussion.

Commissioner Fernandez reminded everyone that the Commission makes their decisions about nominations based on the National Register nomination, not on the politics surrounding the issue. Commissioner Fernandez stated that they look at what is in front of them. She stated that in her opinion it boils down to whether or not the building is an important example of a Spanish courtyard. She was convinced that it was a courtyard, but grappled with its significance. Commissioner Fernandez stated she is an advocate for the modest because it is important and underrepresented, but she is not seeing that this is a significant example.

Chair Grenda confirmed with the Commission that they all had the staff recommendation with the five points of recommended edits. The Commissioners confirmed they had the staff report.

Commissioner Polanco stated she was not at the last Commission meeting. She commented that it can be frustrating for the Commission to be in the middle of dueling consultants whose opinion and work they all respect as colleagues. Commissioner Polanco stated that in her opinion one can look past the issues of integrity because there is enough historic fabric there to not cause the building to lose integrity. Commissioner Polanco stated that the Commission was only looking at this as an individual and not as part of a district. She stated that she was not convinced the property was a courtyard building. She did not think this building was designed around a landscape. She further stated that she was struggling with significance.

Commissioner Moss commented that the property seems to be both unimportant and in addition unassuming and that with well over 200 courtyards in the city that this is not one that is remarkable or a remarkable example. That it is a remarkable example is not supported in the current application. The building does not set itself apart as significant and he could not support the nomination.

Commissioner Shek reiterated what Commissioner Moss stated. He prefaced his comments with the observation that by agreeing to be on this Commission he is in favor of preservation and ideologically biased against rich developers. Commissioner Shek stated that because of his lack of expertise in architecture and architectural history he can only use common sense in

making his decision. Commissioner Shek stated he could not support this nomination.

Commissioner Bertoli stated that he appreciated both groups' professionalism and each has expressed their own opinion based on their understanding of the property. Commissioner Bertoli stated that what mattered is the composition of the units, which he agreed with Professor Tice concerning the organization of the site, and that modesty in a building does not mean that it does not belong to the certain groups. He stated one can find in any one of the periods from ancient work to today's work a series of variations on building types that belong to a particular time or era. In most cases it depends on the resources and what the builder wanted to create with the project. But, it still shows the key components that will define the high level of the particular type. Commissioner Bertoli stated that without doubt that this is a simple project and it is a courtyard building. Whether the original owner had the intention of repeating what appears to be a significant pattern in the area, is not known. But, one can see that if builders were involved in any project, the conditions that prevailed around their project will be repeated in their project. In his opinion it is a courtyard, perhaps in a very simple way. But, it is a courtyard that could be seen in the diagrams presented by Professor Tice. Commissioner Bertoli stated that it has the elements of organization of all these similar building types – it has green it has entrances relating to the courtyard, and the courtyard is also an L. He stated there are two interlocking Ls – the buildings and the open space. Some of the treatments he did not care for, but Commissioner Bertoli felt buildings deserved recognition and care whether the building was grandiose or simple. The changes and modifications that occurred do not follow the simple qualities of the beginning, and that was unfortunate, but, the property deserves recognition for what it represents and what it is, a courtyard. Commissioner Bertoli's decision was to nominate the property to the National Register.

Commissioner Polanco read from the staff report stating that the National Register requires that a property meet one of the four requirements under Criterion C.

Chairman Grenda asked the Commission for a motion. Commissioner Brandes moved that the Commission finds that the property at 1342-1346 North Hayworth Avenue, West Hollywood, does not meet the National Register criteria as stated in the nomination, and that the Commission does not recommend that the property be listed on the National Register. Commissioner Guerra seconded the motion. Seven Commissioners voted in favor; one Commissioner opposed; no abstentions. **Action:** Motion carried seven to one.

- B. Pasadena Arroyo Parks and Recreation District  
Pasadena, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance



SHPO Donaldson stated the Pasadena Arroyo Parks and Recreation District was removed from the Consent Calendar because of a concern raised by the Office of the Mayor of Pasadena regarding the identification of the routing of the two courses of the Brookside Golf Course as a significant feature. The City of Pasadena supports the nomination.

Commissioner Guerra asked for clarification as to the actual decision facing the Commission: to approve the nomination as recommended, or approve it with removing the routing of the courses as a significant feature. SHPO Donaldson answered to approve it as recommended.

Christine Lazzaretto, Pasadena Heritage, spoke in support of retaining the routing of the Brookside Golf Courses as a significant feature. Ms. Lazzaretto stated the nomination has general public support for the nomination as written.

Chairman Grenda closed for public comments.

Commissioner Polanco asked Staff Counsel Lynch for clarification on a point: if the City of Pasadena, property owner, supports the nomination but is concerned about including a portion of the nomination as a significant feature, is that the same as an objection to the whole nomination?

Staff Counsel Lynch responded no.

SHPO Donaldson stated the routing of a golf course pertains to the general course layout and course of play and is an important feature.

Commissioner Fernandez asked if the routing had been the same since 1925.

Teresa Grimes, nomination preparer, stated that both courses were built in stages as the City obtained funding and retain their general layout and course of play.

Commissioner Polanco moved that the Commission find the Pasadena Arroyo Parks and Recreation District eligible for the National Register under Criterion A at the Local Level of Significance, and recommends the State Historic Preservation Officer forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register. Commission Moss seconded the motion. Action: Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission broke for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

- C. Torrey Pines Gilderport (Boundary Increase)  
San Diego, San Diego County  
Local Level of Significance

Ms. Ambacher gave her staff report.

Chairman Grenda opened the public discussion.

Dr. Gary Fogel, the applicant, stated he was co-author of the 1993 nomination. Dr. Fogel gave his presentation to support the nomination.

Joel Klein, Pacific Soaring Council, spoke in support of the nomination for the boundary increase.

Doug Perl, Associate Glider Clubs of Southern California, spoke in support of the boundary increase.

David Jebb, Torrey Pines Gliderport, Flight Director, spoke in support of the boundary increase.

Scott Abrams, of the University of California, spoke in opposition to the boundary increase. Mr. Abrams stated the applicant did not show the criteria to justify the boundary increase had been met. Mr. Abrams recommended against amending the nomination boundary increase on the east side of the runways, but did not oppose increasing the boundary on the west side of the gliderport.

Dr. Fogel rebutted that the gliderport was nominated to the National Register in 1993 and that it is well protected, but the approach surfaces are not.

Mr. Abrams rebutted that the proponents did not make clear that the nomination meets the criteria. He further stated the gliderport has limited use because of the weather, or other atmosphere conditions. Mr. Abrams asked the Commission to reject the nomination.

Chairman Grenda closed the public discussion.

Commissioner Guerra asked the SHPO what is the nominated resource.

SHPO Donaldson explained what was being nominated and that both the land and air approach surfaces are the cultural resource. SHPO Donaldson also stated there are four public owners, not just University of California, San Diego.

Commissioner Guerra asked for examples of natural features being considered a cultural resource. SHPO Donaldson stated that in terms of air quality, air can be considered a resource. SHPO Donaldson stated when he was a member of the Commission the commission discussed waterways and depth of waterways as resources. SHPO Donaldson further stated this is the first time the current Commission has considered this type of resource.

Chairman Grenda asked if the air space was included in the 1993 nomination to the National Register. SHPO Donaldson stated that air space was not included in the nomination.

Commissioner Guerra stated he does not feel qualified to make a decision in defining this resource in terms of the Commission's power.

Chairman Grenda asked whether or not the resource is historic.

Commissioner Polanco asked the question of staff if the boundary for the Kitty Hawk Memorial, which Dr. Fogel provided to the Commission, included the air space or only the ground. Ms. Ambacher stated she had not been provided a copy of the materials.

SHPO Donaldson stated that the boundary is above the ground, in the air. He reiterated that the nomination states approach surfaces.

Commissioner Fernandez had two issues regarding Mr. Abrams justification for boundary increase amendment; and the unrecognized portion of the property, and looking at the Kitty Hawk nomination of Torrey Pines. Commissioner Fernandez stated Dr. Fogel implicated in the original nomination that the area of the boundary will be protected; she could not find it in the National Register. Commissioner Fernandez stated the nomination does not include approach; and about the runway contributing and non-contributing components. Commissioner Fernandez asked why there was not a three-dimensional space map in the nomination.

Commissioner Bertoli expressed that he would like to understand the nature of the historical components of the resource, and if those components were extant at the time the runway was nominated.

Chairman Grenda stated if it is an integrity question that needs to be clarified.

Commissioner Guerra preferred to reject the nomination and have the applicant begin the nomination again.

SHPO Donaldson stated staff will work with the applicant.

Commissioner Polanco asked staff to look at other nominations related to three-dimensional resources.

Commissioner Fernandez asked the staff under what criteria was the gliderport listed. Ms. Ambacher stated in 1993 it was listed under Criterion A, in the areas of entertainment, recreation, invention, and transportation.

Commissioner Shek moved that the Commission table this item until the applicant can work with the SHPO and the Office of Preservation staff to address the concerns that the Commission raised at this meeting, and then at that time bring the nomination back for hearing by this Commission.

Commissioner Fernandez seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carries unanimously.

Chairman Grenda closed the public session of the Commission at 3:00 p.m.

## **XI. CLOSED SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

Chairman Grenda opened the closed session of the Commission at 3:03 p.m.  
Pending Litigation: California Register of Historic Resources—Lincoln Place Apartments, Venice, California

Conference with legal counsel to confer with and receive advice regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session would prejudice the position of the Commission. [Government Code § 11126(e) (1) & (e) (2)(A)].

AIMCO VENEZIA, LLC v. State of California, State Historic Resources Commission, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number BS 103 594.

Chairman Grenda closed the closed session of the Commission at 3:17 p.m.

### **OPEN SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

Chairman Grenda reconvened the open session of the Commission at 3:20 p.m.

### **XII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

### **XIII. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

- A. Archaeological Resources Committee: Commissioner Fernandez, Chair, reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes.
- B. Cultural Diversity Committee: Commissioner Moss, Chair, and Commissioner Shek, member, reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes.
- C. Information Center Procedural Advisory Commission: Commissioner Grenda, Chair, had no report.
- D. Public Policy and Legislation Committee: Commissioner Polanco, Chair, had no report.
- E. State Historical Building Safety Code Committee: Commissioner Bertoli, Chair had no report.
- F. Yearly Goals and Objectives Committee – Commissioner Brandes, Chair, had no report.

### **XIV. COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

Chairman Grenda presented the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Information Center Operation Manual to the Commission.

Commissioner Fernandez moved that the Commission approved the ICPAC Manual with the addition of language that the manual be reviewed in the intervals no greater than five years by the Commission. Commissioner Polanco seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carries unanimously.

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Grenda adjourned the regular meeting of the Commission at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Milford Wayne Donaldson FAIA  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Date

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008-03**

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION  
Napa County Landmarks**

**WHEREAS**, Napa County Landmarks was founded by a group of local citizens concerned with the preservation of Napa’s unique and distinguished architectural resources, the group quickly realized the importance of preserving all the important cultural resources within Napa County; and,

**WHEREAS**, Napa County Landmarks strives to protect the living record of the past and promotes the preservation and understanding of historic buildings and sites through educational programs, public policy advocacy, and research; and,

**WHEREAS**, Napa County Landmarks has dedicated its efforts to preserve Napa’s downtown and the marvelous stone masonry bridges in Napa County; it will continue strive to preserve and protect the County’s historic resources; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Historical Resources Commission extend full appreciation to Napa County Landmarks for their tremendous efforts to preserve and protect such a historically and architecturally distinct part of Napa County’s history; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of the State Historical Resources Commission and a suitable copy presented to Napa County Landmarks.

**April 23, 2008**

**STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

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**Donn R. Grenda, Ph.D.**  
**Chairperson**

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**Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA**  
**Executive Secretary**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2008-04**

# **RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park**

**WHEREAS**, the Bale Grist Mill was built by Dr. Edward T. Bale in 1846, an English-born resident of Mexican California, to supply flour to the settlers of Mexican and later American Napa Valley and was actively used as a mill until its abandonment in 1879; and

**WHEREAS**, the 36' mill wheel is commonly held to be the largest overshot mill wheel west of the Mississippi River, and the mill is one of a small number of fully-operational traditional grain mills in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the old mill property was rescued from demolition by a series of interested parties, including the Native Sons of the Golden West and the County of Napa, who kept the property in a state of arrested decay before it was deeded to the State of California in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, California State Parks completed a major restoration project in 1988, making the bulk of the historic machinery usable; and

**WHEREAS**, the park now seeks to restore the machinery on the second story of the mill and intends to complete the work without using any State General Funds; and fundraising has already been initiated by a variety of non-profit organizations, including the Napa Valley State Parks Association; and,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the State Historical Resources Commission commends Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of the State Historical Resources Commission, and that a suitable copy be presented to Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park.

**April 23, 2008**

**STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

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**Donn R. Grenda, Ph.D.**  
**Chairperson**

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**Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA**  
**Executive Secretary**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2008-05**

# **RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION California Preservation Foundation**

**WHEREAS**, California Preservation Foundation was founded in 1977 by the Board of Californians for Preservation Action, a group of preservationist who recognized the need to save California's important cultural resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, California Preservation Foundation has grown to encompass more than 1,500 members statewide, and has become California's largest and strongest advocate for the preservation of our State's important cultural resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, California Preservation Foundation is dedicated to the preservation of California's unique, diverse, and distinct cultural and architectural resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, California Preservation Foundation has sponsored countless workshops with the intent of educating professionals and concerned citizens about such preservation topics as CEQA compliance, use of California's historic building code, use of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, conducting context-based surveys, and an array of other topics; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Historical Resources Commission extends full appreciation to California Preservation Foundation for its tremendous efforts and dedication to preservation, and for serving as an important preservation partner of the State Historical Resources Commission; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of the State Historical Resources Commission and a suitable copy presented to California Preservation Foundation.

**April 23, 2008**

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## **Attachment B – Chairman’s Report**

In late of March Chairman Grenda attended the Society for Archaeology’s conference in Vancouver, Canada where he presented a paper.

He attended the Society for Archaeology Annual Conference in Burbank, California. Chairman Grenda noted that at the conference Commissioner Trish Fernandez received the Thomas F. King Award for excellence in Cultural Resource Management for her work on the Archaeological Resource Committee.

Chairman Grenda continued to work with a local group of preservationists in the City of Norco to save Lake Norconian Club from neglect.

In early March he gave a presentation to the Crossroads Rotary Club in San Bernardino. The presentation focused on Cultural Resource Management and the importance of nominating properties to the National Register of Historical Places.

Chairman Grenda noted that he has been asked several times to speak to preservationist groups in order to increase awareness and to promote historic preservation. His next talk will be in late May when Chairman Grenda will speak at the Bowers Museum in San Ana, California.

## **Attachment C – Executive Secretary’s Report**

SHPO Donaldson and Deputy SHPO Stephen Mikesell attended the conference for National State Historic Preservation Officer Conference in Washington, D.C. They participated in a three day meeting to discuss current policy and preservation on a global scale.

SHPO Donaldson had the opportunity to assist with a presentation given by the United States Green Building Council. The focus of the presentation was sustainability and the Leadership, Energy, Environmental, Design (LEED) rating program. SHPO Donaldson reminded everyone that there will be a LEED workshop as part of the California Preservation Foundation Conference in Napa.

SHPO Donaldson attended Advocacy Day where the Nation’s SHPOs had the opportunity to speak with twenty-two legislators, including Senators Barbara Boxer and Diane Feinstein as well as Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

On March 7th, SHPO Donaldson attended a Modern Building Forum at California Polytechnic State University in Pomona.

SHPO Donaldson met with the California Main Street Alliance (CAMSA) to discuss ways of finding money in today’s administration as well as to find people to handle the money. SHPO Donaldson stated there is \$30,000 in the California Main Street Fund. SHPO Donaldson stated there are 37 Main Street Communities and 65 aspiring Main Street Communities. Redding became a Main Street Community two years ago and the city of Leucadia is willing to pay the application fees to become a California Main Street Community.

On April 10, 2008 SHPO Donaldson attended the National Trust for Historic Preservation of Partners Conference in San Diego for three days discuss current preservation issues.

#### Attachment D – Committee Reports

Archaeological Resources Committee –The committee is continuing to meet. The committee is also working with the Native American and Certified Local Governments' comments to the white papers. Chairman Grenda appointed forty people to the committee with twelve committee members present to make a quorum at future meetings.

Cultural Diversity Committee – Commissioner Moss, Chair no report and Commission Shek talked to the Chinese American Association in Sacramento on the process in nominating properties to National Register works. Commissioner Moss

Information Center Procedural Advisory Commission – Commissioner Grenda,

Public Policy and Legislation Committee – Commissioners Fernandez and Polanco, Co-Chairs had no report but will be meeting with the committee to talk about the California Register.

State Historical Building Safety Code Committee – Commissioner Bertoli, Chair Commissioner Bertoli states there is no report but the committee is meeting right now at the CPF Conference.

Yearly Goals and Objectives Committee – Commissioner Brandes, Chair had no report.

SHPO Donaldson stated to the Commission the staff is willing to help to support SHRC committees.