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January 23, 2006

Douglas Bosco  
Chairman, Public Member  
California Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco,

I am writing in strong support for funding for the Palos Verdes Land Conservancy (PVPLC) for the historic adaptive reuse of the Assembly Building at the White Point Nature Preserve.

Once restored, this building will serve as an interpretive center for the nature preserve and will provide both classroom space for children and public restrooms. This reuse project is an ideal way to interpret the 100-acre coastal restoration project and the various historical, biological, geological and cultural resources located at the White Point Nature Preserve. With an interpretive facility at White Point, the public will have the opportunity to learn about their natural environment and to enrich their experience at the Preserve.

As the PVPLC has shown exemplary land management in the 54<sup>th</sup> District, I recommend that the Coastal Conservancy provide funding for this very worthwhile project.

Sincerely,

BETTY KARNETTE  
Assembly Member, 54<sup>th</sup> District

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Cc: David Hayes, California Coastal Conservancy  
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**JANICE HAHN**  
Councilwoman  
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January 25, 2006

Mr. Douglas Bosco  
Chairman, Public Member  
California Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in strong support of the Palos Verdes Land Conservancy's request for funding to adaptively reuse the Assembly Building at White Point Nature Preserve as an interpretive center.

Once opened, the new interpretive center will provide information to visitors, classroom space for children and public restrooms. This reuse project is an ideal way to interpret the 100-acre coastal restoration project and the various historical, biological, geological, and cultural resources located at White Point Nature Preserve. With an interpretive facility at White Point, we will be able to provide the public with the opportunity to learn about their natural environment and to enrich their experience at the Preserve.

The Land Conservancy provides exemplary land management services throughout the Peninsula and has established a solid working relationship with the City of Los Angeles. This interpretive center will be key to the success of the project and the conservancy's youth education program as well as serve to attract visitors to this outstanding coastal Preserve.

Thank you for your support. I enthusiastically urge the Coastal Conservancy to provide funding for this exciting project.

Sincerely,

JANICE HAHN  
Councilwoman, 15<sup>th</sup> District  
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January 18, 2006

Barbara Dye, Executive Director  
Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy  
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Dear Ms. Dye:

**WHITE POINT PARK NATURE PRESERVE INTERPRETIVE CENTER—ADAPTIVE  
REUSE OF THE FORMER NIKE MISSILE ASSEMBLY BUILDING**

The Department of Recreation and Parks has reviewed your conceptual proposal to adaptively reuse the former Nike Missile Assembly Building as an Interpretive Center at the White Point Park Nature Preserve. We are pleased to support this effort and the associated grant offered by the California Coastal Conservancy because it would help resolve the concerns about the fate of this historic building and the ongoing development of the nature preserve at the park.

In response to the inquiry about compliance of this project with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), my Environmental Staff who was involved with the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the larger White Point Nature Preserve project has determined that the Interpretive Center project has been adequately addressed in the EIR. In the EIR that was approved and certified by the City Council on December 12, 2001, the adaptive reuse of the Nike Missile Assembly Building was addressed in Alternative 3, which was determined to be both feasible and the environmentally superior alternative because it would eliminate a significant unavoidable adverse impact from the destruction a listed historic building. All other environmental impacts would be the same as for the proposed project for establishing the nature preserve. However, the feasibility of this alternative was based solely on the development of feasible plans for the reuse of the building and secured funding for implementation of those plans. Otherwise, the Department would not have the resources to preserve or restore the building, and at the end of a 5-year period ending on December 12, 2006, would proceed with the original proposed project to demolish the building under the Statement of Overriding Consideration that was adopted with the certification of the EIR.

The proposed adaptive reuse of the former Missile Assembly Building would, of course, be subject to the review and approval of plans by the Department and the implementation of all mitigation measures for the treatment of the historic features of the building in accordance with the adopted Mitigation Monitoring Plan. In addition, the terms and conditions of the grant will need to be coordinated the Department's Grants Administration Division.



Barbara Dye  
January 18, 2006  
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Please direct any further environmental questions to Paul Davis, Environmental Specialist, at (213) 928-9137. Any questions regarding the coordination of the grant should be directed to Susan Huntley, Chief Management Analyst, at (213) 928-9153.

Sincerely,

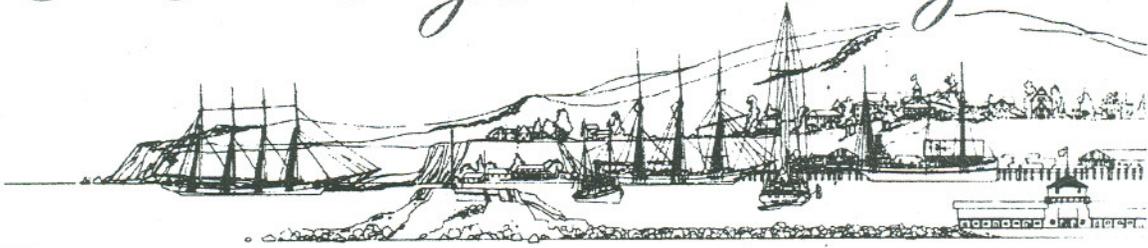
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cc: David Attaway, Environmental Supervisor

# San Pedro Bay Historical Society



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2 November, 2005

DAVID HAYES

Mr. Mark Beyeler, Officer for Southern California  
California State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: White Point Nature Preserve

Dear Mr Beyeler:

The San Pedro Bay Historical Society wishes to express its enthusiastic support for the current effort by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy to develop an interpretive center(s) at the White Point Nature Preserve.

There are many historic features of the White Point coastal land that demonstrate a wide spectrum of nature and science topics that can stimulate interest in young minds and provide broad educational knowledge to all visitors to the park. We will be pleased to provide detailed information on these many topics if desired.

For further discussion on the subject please contact the undersigned at 310-547-1378 or Mr. Milton Heyne at 310-547-0120.

Sincerely,

SAN PEDRO BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Mitchell C. Mardesich, President

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