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Cultural Heritage Commissioners
Office of Historic Resources, Department of City Planning
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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RE: 4221 Agnes Ave, Studio City, California
Council File Number: 18-0056

Dear Commissioners,

The board of the Studio City Residents Association supports the preservation of 4221 Agnes Avenue which was designed by noted Los Angeles architects Arthur and Nina Zwebell. It is included in SurveyLA Agnes Ave Residential Historic District. The architects are credited with creating the courtyard style apartments in LA. Their building, Andalusia is in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Zwebells designed and built three houses on Agnes for their family. The three brothers, including the architect, lived at 4221, 4227 and 4233. 4221 is notable for a number of things including the 100+year old pecan trees that were part of ‘The Grove’ that gave our neighborhood its name. The house was in fact built around one of these old trees and the tree still stands inside the house.

On January 17, 2018, a motion was passed by the Los Angeles City Council instructing the Planning Department Office of Historic Resources to begin the nomination process to designate the Zwebell House as a Historic Cultural Monument in the City of Los Angeles and instructing the Department of Building and Safety to put a hold on demolition permits requested for the Zwebell House, until the City’s Cultural Heritage Commission can review the nomination.

The Studio City Residents Association supports the designation of 4221 Agnes Avenue as a Historic Cultural Monument.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Alan Dymond, president
Studio City Residents Association

cc: Council member Paul Krekorian
Elaine Loring

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