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Mr. Jeff Grubbe
Tribal Council Chairman
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
5401 Dinah Shore Drive
Palm Springs, CA 92264

Dear Chairman Grubbe,

I have been following with great interest the advocacy efforts of the Palm Springs Preservation Foundation and their hard work to save the Spa Hotel complex from demolition. I recently signed the foundation's on-line petition to "Save the Spa" and have urged my friends to do the same.

It might interest you to know that the Palm Springs Preservation Foundation wrote the Class 1 Historic Site nomination for my father's first home in Palm Springs which was designed by architect E. Stewart Williams in 1947. Today, it is a showplace that hosts hundreds of visitors each year during Modernism Week.

The current and recent owners of my father's home have invested in its restoration, returning it to its near original condition. They had faith in the future of Palm Springs and understood that cultural tourism is an important, emerging component of our local economy. The Spa Hotel complex (including my favorite portion, the "Colonnade") needs a similar investment in restoration so that future generations of Palm Springs residents and tourists can enjoy the architecture of William Cody and Wexler & Harrison.

I ask you to please listen to the reasonable and respectful arguments that have been made by the Palm Springs Preservation Foundation, the Palm Springs Modern Committee, the Palm Springs Historical Society and the many hundreds of other concerned citizens that have so recently contacted you.

I have included my personal contact information with this letter so please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter in greater detail.

Sincerely,


Nancy Sinatra

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Palm Springs Preservation Foundation (Erik Rosenow)
Palm Springs Modern Committee (Chris Menrad)
Palm Springs Historical Society (Jeri Vogelsang)
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