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Board of Harbor Commissioners  
Port of Los Angeles  
425 S. Palos Verdes Street  
San Pedro, CA 90731

Re: Star-Kist Tuna Cannery Main Plant on 1050–1054 Ways Street

Dear Commissioners:

In a motion passed November 16th, 2021, the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council urgently asked the Port of Los Angeles to prepare an EIR on the planned demolition of the Star-Kist Tuna Cannery Main Plant on 1050–1054 Ways Street as well as an RFP looking into ways to preserve and repurpose the structure, in line with the goals outlined in the Port's Master Plan. To date, we have not received a reply to our letter regarding this matter, sent November 17th, 2021.

We are writing to request a status update. We would once again like to remind the Port that the StarKist Cannery represents a vital link to the city's commercial and social history, as well as the heritage and legacy of the various immigrant communities that have shaped the San Pedro Bay area. Its architectural and sociocultural significance has been acknowledged by the LA Conservancy, the Office of Historic Resource's "SurveyLA" project, and the 2008 Jones & Stokes survey that found the property to be eligible for national, state-wide and local designation.

We urge the port to follow the applicable procedures for historic properties by preparing an EIR and an RFP.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis P. Caravella".

Louis P. Caravella  
President  
On behalf of the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council

This letter approved by the board on 2/15/22