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George Green, CEO/Artistic Director  
San Antonio Little Theater, Inc.  
800 W Ashby Place  
San Antonio, TX 78212

**RE: Eligibility for Historic Designation for 741 W Ashby Place, Zoning Case Z-2018-900017**

Dear Mr. Green,

The Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) reviewed your zoning case Z-2018-900017, which includes demolition of your property located at 741 W Ashby Place. OHP has determined that the property is eligible for historic designation.

741 W Ashby Place was built c. 1927 as a Gulf Refining Co. filling station. Historic gas stations in San Antonio represent a dominant industry in our regional economy, a nationwide shift in transportation patterns to reliance on a personal automobile, and the growing emphasis on corporate branding through design, with the buildings themselves serving as advertisements for their parent company. 741 W Ashby is an example of the predominant style of gas station architecture in San Antonio: flat-roofed Spanish Eclectic. When compared with another surveyed historic gas station at 3502 N St. Mary's, one can identify shared architectural characteristics and extrapolate what 741 W Ashby looked like prior to modification.

This structure meets landmark criteria 1, 6, 8, and 11 in accordance with the process for considering designation of a historic landmark, as outlined in the Unified Development Code (UDC Section 35-607). The City of San Antonio seeks to protect properties determined to be eligible for historic designation by providing temporary safeguards as soon as a determination of eligibility is made by the Historic Preservation Officer.

Per UDC Section 35-453, this letter serves as official notice of eligibility and thus the property is subject to interim design controls as defined in the UDC for the lesser of 180 days of this notification or action by City Council on the recommendation for designation. During this period, if you wish to perform any work on the exterior of this property, written approval from the Office of Historic Preservation is required.

OHP staff is available to assist you through this process. Please contact Jessica Anderson, [jessica@SAPreservation.com](mailto:jessica@SAPreservation.com) or (210) 207-7984, if you have any questions about this notice.

Sincerely,

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