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Dear members of the Commission: I ask for your inclusion of at least DHT in the group of those who may appeal. Please see the attached two letters, including one from Arva Parks before she passed away. I believe they are both part of the record, but I ask the city clerk to include them once again for your review. Including DHT only allows the matter to be reviewed by the elected body - it doesn't guarantee a decision would be overturned. I always admired Arva's passion and experience. She truly drank Miamah's "sweet water." Let's do the same and be positive and inclusive please. Thanks, Brett



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Coral Gables City Commission  
405 Biltmore Way  
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

For 53 years, our non-profit volunteer organization has been actively working to preserve historic places in Miami -Dade County, starting with the Douglas Entrance in 1966. We wish to place on the official record our encouragement that you follow the recommendations of the professional staff of the Historic Resources Department. They are well trained in their field and do extensive research to back up their recommendations. Unfortunately, despite their good work, an occasional property falls through the cracks, such as 333 Catalonia Avenue. We urge you to follow the recommendations of your professional advisors.

Sincerely,

Eileen Ellman, President



## Historic Preservation Process

With regard to standing in cases where an appeal is submitted to the Preservation Board or the City Commission regarding the designation or lack of designation of historic places, change the preservation ordinance to grant standing to preservation organizations such as the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables, the Villagers or Dade Heritage Trust, to represent the community interest.

We feel it is important for the Coral Gables Historic Preservation Board and the City Commission to adhere to the criteria as presented in the city ordinance for historic designation and that structures 50 years old or older be evaluated by said criteria by staff before damaging action occurs.

Our historic resources are too rare to be squandered.

Arva Moore Parks  
Dolly MacIntyre