

December 1, 2016

Dear Council Members,

I urge you to approve the Historic Cultural designation for the Lytton Savings building.

It saddens me that we might let this amazing mid-century modern building be destroyed. We live in a time when people trade mid-century modern houses like they are Picassos-why would we let this masterpiece be demolished?

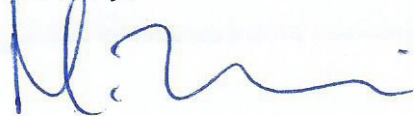
Lytton Savings – now Chase Bank – embraced the California car culture and uniquely integrated it with fine art.

Almost daily this building greets me at the entrance of the Sunset Strip. With its zigzag roof and the beautiful glow of the stained glass screen through the first floor lobby windows, it welcomes people every bit as effectively today as it has for the last half century.

To me, it represents an era of Hollywood that cannot be replicated today.

Please honor this building and its architect, Kurt Meyer, with a Historic Cultural Monument designation. Responsible development does not exclude preservation of our historic resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Marisa Tomei', with a stylized, flowing script.

Marisa Tomei