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(By electronic transmission) Historical Advisory Board City of Alameda 2263 Santa Clara Avenue Alameda, CA 94501

Subject: 2151 Ferry Point--Proposed Radium Theater Performing Arts Center (Item 4-D on HAB 11/7/24 agenda)

Dear HAB members:

The Alameda Architectural Preservation Society (AAPS) would like to thank the project team, the HAB, the Planning Board and staff for working to shift the proposed building to the west to maintain more of a view corridor toward Building 77. However, the plaza and tree planting within the view corridor is in an irregular configuration and inconsistent with the overall orthogonal geometric site planning of the immediate surroundings and the NAS in general. More importantly, the trees block the view corridor.

AAPS therefore recommends that the plaza and landscaping be reconfigured to an orthogonal design, including planting the trees in north-south rows to frame the view of Building 77.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please contact me at (510) 523-0411 or cbuckleyAICP@att.net if you would like to discuss these comments.

Sincerely,

Christopher Buckley, Chair Preservation Action Committee Alameda Architectural Preservation Society

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