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Dear Ms. Uhrhammer,

Your letter dated August 29, 2016 was discussed at Friday's meeting of the Commission.

Our position has not changed. The commissioners remain opposed to filing a form 700, and disagree with your conclusion that we are required to do so. I will not repeat the arguments made in our previous correspondence, which I assume you have seen. As for your statement that our recommendations have been regularly approved, I have been on the Commission for about four years. Our process has been to review an application, and if we find it in order, to transmit it to the Board with a letter noting our approval, and asking the Board to act on the application. During that period, we have only transmitted two requests to the Board. Another is currently pending. I have contacted several former commissioners to see if I can get more information on what happened over the past 23 years, but I would be surprised if we transmitted more than a handful of applications to the Board. And we do not decide whether our request gets placed on the consent calendar.

I gather from your letter that the county has not adopted an exemption procedure, as we had asked and which the California regulations cited in our letter of October 30, 2015 encourage it to do, but instead wishes to seek an opinion from the FPPC. I am not sure that is the correct procedure, but if that is the one your office wishes to follow, we will join in the request.

We believe that the first issue the FPPC should be asked to address is whether the exemption should be granted by the county. If the exemption is to be granted by the state, then the FPPC should be asked to consider whether the members of the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission need to file a form 700 disclosure.

If you decide to proceed before the FPPC, we look forward to getting a draft of your request to the FPPC so we may review and comment on it.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,

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Bernard Zimmerman, Chair

cc: Julie Patterson-Hunter, Clerk of the Board  
Commissioners

