VENTURA COUNTY CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2022-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE VENTURA COUNTY CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE MILLS ACT CONTRACT FOR THE NOBLE OAKS ESTATE PROPERTY KNOWN AS VENTURA COUNTY HISTORICAL LANDMARK NO. 182

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2022, the Ventura County Cultural Heritage Board, ("CHB") held a public hearing to consider a request for a "Mills Act" Historical Property Contract ("Contract") with the property owners of the Noble Oaks Estate property, located at 76 Oak Drive, Ojai, CA 93023 (hereinafter referred to as "Noble Oaks Estate") pursuant to Ventura County Cultural Heritage Ordinance procedures and Section 50280 et seq. of the California Government Code for all structures on-site and the site itself; and

WHEREAS, the CHB has considered all written and oral testimony on this matter, including County staff reports and exhibits and recommendations;

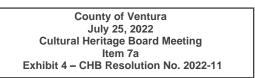
WHEREAS, the Noble Oaks Estate is a qualified historical property pursuant to Section 50280.1 of the California Government Code that is privately owned, not exempt from property taxation, and is Ventura County Historical Landmark No. 182 designated by the Ventura County Cultural Heritage Board on September 20, 2021;

WHEREAS, the property owners of the Noble Oaks Estate, as a County Landmark, are eligible to take advantage of the Contract benefits of property tax savings in exchange for restoration, rehabilitation, preservation, and maintenance of the Noble Oaks Estate; and

WHEREAS, the Contract requires that the owner stipulate to proposed rehabilitation measures over a minimum ten-year period and that the Contract be automatically renewed each year and transferred to new owners when the property is sold.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cultural Heritage Board of the County of Ventura take the following actions:

- CERTIFY that the Cultural Heritage Board has reviewed and considered the staff report for this July 25, 2022 item and all exhibits hereto, and has considered all comments received during the public comment process;
- 2. **APPROVE** findings one through four as follows:



- 1. John M and Mary Cuthbert, Trustees of The Cuthbert Family Trust, possess and own real property located at 76 Oak Drive, Ojai, Ventura County, California;
- 2. The property is a qualified historical property pursuant to Section 50280.1 of the California Government Code that is privately owned, not exempt from property taxation and is designated as Ventura County Historical Landmark No. 182;
- 3. The owner desires to carry out the relevant purposes of the California Government Code commencing with Section 50280 for the entire site and structures thereon; and
- 4. The owner desires to limit the use of the historical property, 76 Oak Drive, Ojai, CA 93023, to retain its characteristics as a property of historical significance; and
- 3. **RECOMMEND** to the Board of Supervisors that it approve and authorize the Board Chair to execute the proposed Mills Act Historical Property Contract for the Noble Oaks Estate known as Ventura County Historical Landmark No. 182, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1 to the July 25, 2022 staff report for the subject item. A copy of such Contract shall be recorded with the Ventura County Recorder's Office.

This is to certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution reflecting the Ventura County Cultural Heritage Board's actions taken at its July 25, 2022 public hearing regarding the above-described matter.

Date: _____

By: _____ Chair, Cultural Heritage Board