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Re: Case Number GF 19-228730-4000 Balcones Dr./Case #: HDP-2019-0633

Mr. Rice,

I received two copies for the public hearing for the property that my sisters and I inherited from our father, John Davol, upon his death in 2016. The sisters and I have a long history with the property and house at 4000 Balcones Dr. as you might suspect by the last name.

Neither my sisters, nor myself, object to having the house deconstructed in favor of a more modern, up to date home that is planned for the property. Yes, we have fond memories of walking from 4002 Balcones (where we were residing next to our grandparents) to visit Frank H. Davol Jr. and his wife Hayes Thomson Davol. Our father and mother purchased the property upon his mother's death, remodeled to suit their needs and lived there for thirty-four years.

The residents of 4000 Balcones, over the years have done nothing of historical note that I am aware of. Even the house was out of sight from Balcones Dr. Only invitees and neighbors knew there was a house there.

When my sisters and I decided to sell the property and house, we were determined not to sell it so that it would be developed. The best fit for the property were the first to approach us showing an interest. It is a younger couple, with three children, who had met Dad during his morning walks. They became one of the couples in the hood who helped watch over him in his last years.

In summary, we are "in favor" of the deconstruction.

Respectfully,

Steve Davol, Betty Finley, Jackie Cheshire