

**Mills Act request for 653 Jefferson St. Santa Clara, CA**

We the owners of the property at 653 Jefferson St. Santa Clara, CA respectfully request your consideration for a Mills Act contract. Since acquiring the property in 2014 we have made many improvements to the house and grounds while maintaining and restoring the historic qualities of the home. However, there are many projects still to be undertaken, not only in the next ten years but, far into the future. A home of this age and condition requires continuous activity toward restoration and maintenance and the property tax relief afforded by The Mills Act will greatly aid in these efforts.

It is fortunate that this home retains many of its original elements. The exterior siding, decorative shingle work, turned wooden column, double hung wooden windows and door are all original and no additions have been made to the floor plan. The interior also has the original wood flooring, doors, moldings and baseboards and no changes have been made to the interior floorplan as well. There are some elements that are missing however, and these are going to be restored as outlined below. Once again, we ask that you grant our request so that we may continue our work to restore and preserve this beautiful home that we love.