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## Mills Act Application – Statement of Justification

We, the owners of the house located at 904 Madison St, Santa Clara, respectfully request your consideration for our application for the Mills Act application. We purchased our home in 2015, after viewing many other properties in Santa Clara. This house was the only house we toured that was in its original condition with only minor updates. The original features include unique base and crown moldings, doorways and beautiful hardwood floors throughout that give the house its charm and warmth. We were also very impressed that, given the age of the house, how there was no visible damage from age, settling and the earthquakes that caused damage to the area in the past. Structure inspection of the house confirmed that there was no damage to the home. This convinced us that this was property we wanted to purchase.

We want to maintain the structure integrity and preserve the historic charm of the house. The house is built in a very unique Stick architectural style, with only one other house in Santa Clara built in this style. Distinctive features of this style include the narrow, flat boards nailed to the outside of the building and box-bay window. A full description of the unique architecture is included in DPR 523A. We want to maintain the house in this condition and further preserve it in the future to ensure that we can live in it and in this neighborhood for years to come as we love both. With the high cost of living in California, the Mills Act will facilitate the upkeep and preservation of the original features of the house.

Quentin & Marlene Diduck Attachments: DPR 523A 10 Yr Preservation Plan Exhibit A