

July 22, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for adding the Arts & Letters Building located at 1164 Nu'uauu Ave to the Hawaii Register of Historic Places. A beautiful building built in the early 1900s that has endured for over 100 years. The original brick walls are testament to its charm and architectural significance.

As a former owner, I was fortunate to experience first-hand how special the building and its nostalgia were for visitors and the community. Creatively and culturally, 1164 Nu'uauu Avenue continues to be a vital part of Honolulu's historic Chinatown. Maintaining and preserving this building for future generations is especially appropriate and even paramount.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pegge Hopper', written in a cursive style.

Pegge Hopper

Building Owner 1986-2020