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Ms. Julianne Polanco
State Historic Preservation Officer
Office of Historic Preservation
Department of Parks & Recreation
Attn: Ed Carroll
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Sacramento, CA 95816

Dear Ms. Polanco,

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) continues to work towards identifying a partner to redevelop its Marinship Machine Shop, 25 Liberty Ship Way, Sausalito, CA 94965, under authority of Section 111 of the National Preservation Act.

VA issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ), reference letter sent to your office dated October 30, 2017, for redevelopment of the site in August 2017. This was the first step in a two-step solicitation process to find a qualified development partner. The RFQ period closed in October, with multiple strong responses. The next step is for VA to provide the Request for Proposals (RFP) later this month to the three RFQ finalists. VA would like your office to participate in the review of the proposals in the spring of 2018.

To protect the building from the elements until a partner is identified to lease and redevelop it, a qualified contractor has started VA's mothballing project (OHP #VA110405A). In the midst of this work, the contractor uncovered additional structural defects that affect the integrity of the building shell. VA is engaging a structural engineer to determine the extent of damage and prepare a plan to shore up the north end of the building and allow mothballing to continue.

VA remains committed to working with external stakeholders, including your office, to preserve the marinship Machine Shop and place it back into productive use.

Robin Flanagan continues to be your point of contract for the site and she can be reached at 415-750-2049 or robin.flanagan@va.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bonnie S. Graham".

Bonnie S. Graham
Health Care System Director

Cc: ACHP