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NO!

This is a historic property, possibly one of the most unique in the country: It is the ONLY palace of a reigning foreign Royal in the United States. It is of significant historical importance. Yet this proposed construction has somehow skipped review by the city's Historic Resources Commission. It's also a Mills Act property which means that the owners cannot alter the site without approval by the Commission.

I suspect that approval of this without approval by the Historic Resources Commissions puts the city in a very vulnerable and litigious legal position as well as setting a very dangerous precedent. Regardless of its dubious aesthetics and how it impacts the neighboring community, this simply cannot be approved without approval by the Commission.

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