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Dear Ms Shull

I write in urgent and impassioned support for the preservation of the Cyclorama Building at Gettysburg.

After becoming aware of the circumstances and threat to Richard Neutra's landmark Visitor's Centre I am appalled to hear that it may be demolished. Please advise me if there is anything that I or my architect colleagues here in the United Kingdom can do to help ensure its preservation for present and future generations.

The legacy of modern architecture by architects of the stature of Richard Neutra is critical beyond your shores. I speak as a parent as well as an architect when I implore you to grant landmark status for this important fragment of your Nation's cultural heritage. Once gone it could never be returned.

Here in Europe we look to you for inspiration and leadership in more matters than heritage issues. It gives me no satisfaction to tell you that if Neutra's building were here in the European Union it would have been listed and preserved decades ago.

Yours sincerely



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