

Dear Town Council,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the 65 Wellington project and to urge you to stand behind it. This project holds significance not only for the immediate neighborhood but also for the reputation and integrity of Town Council. Here are my reasons for endorsing this initiative:

- **Compliance and Quality:** The plans have met ADR standards and approval. The design showcases an impressive level of meticulousness and thoughtfulness. The proposed additions are modest in scale, harmonizing with the existing structure and the surrounding architectural aesthetics. I firmly believe this project represents a significant enhancement to our neighborhood.
- **Character and Intent:** The Potts epitomize reason and integrity, both as individuals and homeowners. It is regrettable to witness them unfairly criticized and vilified for their genuine desire to improve their home. Their proactive outreach and response to community concerns and their willingness to accommodate wherever feasible are indicative of their rational and pragmatic character. I have full confidence that they will remain reasonable and engaged with the community as any concerns arise. The unwarranted, unjustified and, at times, wildly irrational hostility they have faced from certain quarters is disheartening and does not align with the values of our community. While I acknowledge that some of these hostile voices and neighbors of 65 Wellington have concerns that are genuine and valid to them, it's important to recognize that some of these concerns may be unrelated to the current project at hand. These matters should be addressed separately, in a different context, rather than being conflated with the discussion surrounding this particular project. It's essential to maintain

focus on the specific issues related to the 65 Wellington project and ensure that any concerns raised are directly pertinent to its evaluation and approval process.

- **Property Rights:** It is unequivocally within the rights of homeowners to seek improvements to their property. This fundamental principle should not be overshadowed by unfounded opposition or personal biases.
- **Neighborhood Enhancement:** Renovating older homes is not only essential for preserving our neighborhood's character but also for boosting overall property values. It is imperative that the permit process remains fair and consistent, free from arbitrary hindrances or undue influence from subjective opinions.
- **Fair and Uniform Processes:** Our Town Council must ensure that the approval process is equitable for all projects, without favoritism or undue delays. The excessive scrutiny and unnecessary hurdles faced by the 65 Wellington project are eroding confidence in the existing approval processes, and raise concerns that personal relationships may be interfering and unfairly jeopardizing both the 65 Wellington project and the integrity of the Town Council itself.

In conclusion, I implore the Town Council to uphold fairness and reason in its deliberations. Let us not allow the voices of dissent to drown out the principles of fairness and progress. Supporting the 65 Wellington project is not just about endorsing a specific proposal; it is about affirming our commitment to a fair, just, and inclusive community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Marisa Fiscella
2 Garden Road
Ross, CA, 94957
mmfiscella@gmail.com