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SUBJECT: Cat and Cloud Café historic signage

Peter Testorff:

I am responding to a request by the Chair of the Santa Cruz County Historic Commission to bring to your attention the signage mounted on the exterior of the Cat and Cloud Café at 10 Parade Street. This signage that shows the history of the previous building at the site has suffered sun damage to such an extent that it no longer adequately conveys Aptos history. In light of this, the Chair would like for this signage to be refreshed and perhaps moved to a location where exposure to the sun is eliminated or reduced. Might it make sense that a new installation be created and installed inside the café?

Feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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