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Dear Mayor Nash & City Council Members:

As a long-time San Mateo resident, I am concerned that the term *contributors* to historic districts was removed by staff. This is a policy decision, not a staff decision. Please reinstate this important term and add **contributors** to historic resources to the definition of historic resources in the General Plan Policy CD 5.3.

To plan for the future, I think we need to look at the current resources of our community and we need to ensure their protection so that they continue to exist and remain as a resource in our future. I moved to San Mateo because of its historic downtown and the lovely neighborhoods with classic and historic homes and gardens. Such resources need to be preserved as they contribute to San Mateo's identity, character, and value. Please add language to acknowledge and strive to protect historical properties and contributors with distinct architectural traits for current and future generations.

Thank you.

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