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Re Landmark Status For Your Redwood Tree

Dear Ms Rubenstein, per your request, I visually examined your rear Redwood/*Sequoia sempervirens* with the question of its value for "Landmarking."

Your tree consists of two trunks measuring approximately twenty and twenty-four inches in diameter at "Breast Height" - a standard of measurement fifty-four inches above grade. The crowns reach about forty-five to nearly fifty feet above your garden. The trunks are well spaced and we be free of mutual space constraint for many more decades. The trunks are handsome and capable of supporting much taller canopies. The vertical constraint here - just as at the front of Muir Woods - is the wind which prunes the topmost foliage with more precision than a devoted arborist. The tops of your tree are visible from many blocks away. Not only are they visually prominent, but they contribute valuable habitat as well being not just a tree but a native species as well.

This is a species which will not only outlive all of us but maybe our culture as well. You have always been a good steward for this tree. Seeking "Landmark" status for your tree is just another step in helping to insure its continuity for the enjoyment of future visitors but of allowing it to experience its biological potential.

Respectfully,

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