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The Magnolia Historical Society strongly supports Seattle Parks and Recreation in their efforts to seek grant monies from the State's Preservation Grant Program for the West Point Lighthouse Restoration Project. As a partner to the goals that are represented by a restored and useful historic Lighthouse, we can see that these funds will go far to help establish historical, archaeological, marine and environmental programming through Discovery Park's Education Program, which will be accepting the responsibility to do this for the city at this Light.

The Lighthouse has a rich role of history in a maritime career of over 125 years on one of the busiest and important waterways on the Puget Sound. The land it sits on and is adjacent to is archaeologically rich in tales of a native population that has roamed those shores for over 4,000 years ...some of the earliest discoveries of such civilization on the central Puget Sound occurred here in the 1990's and the trust of that story and its treasures is available to the Park's educational programming as they partner with the Burke Museum. The marine and environmental education possible is unique in that the Lighthouse stands on land that is over 500 acres of shore, meadow, bluff, and forest encapsulated in Discovery Park which surrounds this nationally landmarked Light and its buildings.

We are confident that the application for restoration funding will be put to significant use to save a lighthouse with a vastly unique educational opportunity that without restoration would not be possible. The Park's partnership with historic Seattle makes this entirely possible.

We hope you will join with us in our beliefs that the Restoration of the West Point Light is a worthy cause for funding. We expect you will and funding will be forthcoming to the West Point Lighthouse Restoration, a most deserving project, with such a wonderful historic structure and wonderful educational opportunities this site will provide for generations to come.

Sincerely,

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