

STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
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June 11, 1984

La Haye Bronze  
1346 Railroad Street  
Corona, CA 91720

Gentlemen:

Will you please manufacture one historical landmark plaque, Purchase Order No. 01052 (Purchase Estimate No. 4-035-4001), with the following wording:

GRANDMA PRISBREY'S BOTTLE VILLAGE

THIS FANTASTIC ASSEMBLAGE IS ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S REMARKABLE TWENTIETH CENTURY FOLK ART ENVIRONMENTS. IN 1956 TRESSA PRISBREY, THEN NEARLY 60 YEARS OLD, STARTED BUILDING A FANCIFUL "VILLAGE" OF SHRINES, WALKWAYS, SCULPTURES, AND BUILDINGS FROM RECYCLED ITEMS AND DISCARDS FROM THE LOCAL DUMP. SHE WORKED FOR 25 YEARS CREATING ONE STRUCTURE AFTER ANOTHER TO HOUSE HER COLLECTIONS. TODAY, BOTTLE VILLAGE IS COMPOSED OF 13 BUILDINGS AND 20 SCULPTURES.

CALIFORNIA REGISTERED HISTORICAL LANDMARK NO. 939

PLAQUE PLACED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION IN COOPERATION WITH PRESERVE BOTTLE VILLAGE, JULY 21, 1984.

Please send us a rubbing for the plaque as soon as it is completed, so that we can verify the text.

When the plaque is completed, please ship it to:

Amy Skillman, *1/2 Bottle Village*  
4595 Cochran Street  
Simi Valley, CA 93065

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Sandra J. Elder'.

Mrs. Sandra J. Elder  
Acting Executive Secretary  
State Historical Resources Commission

cc: SHRC  
OHP Staff  
Mr. C. P. Sweet

Amy Skillman  
Public Information