

**STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

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September 24, 1986

Mr. Seymour Rosen, Director  
SPACES  
1804 North Van Ness  
Los Angeles, CA 90021

Dear Seymour:

Our current plaque contractor takes six to eight weeks to produce a plaque; therefore, plan a date for mid-November for Litto.

Enclosed is our edited text wording. Upon receipt of your approval, I will order a State-funded official Landmark Plaque.

I will place your request for a plaque for John Medica's Garden, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, on the November 6 agenda. Please submit suggested text to be included.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra".

Sandra J. Elder  
Assistant Executive Secretary

Enclosure

B-4066H

LITTO'S HUBCAP RANCH

THIS IS ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S EXCEPTIONAL TWENTIETH CENTURY  
FOLK ART ENVIRONMENTS. OVER A PERIOD OF 30 YEARS,  
EMANUELE "LITTO" DAMONTE (1896-1985), WITH THE HELP OF  
HIS NEIGHBORS, COLLECTED MORE THAN 2,000 HUBCAPS. ALL  
AROUND HUBCAP RANCH ARE CONSTRUCTIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS  
OF HUBCAPS, BOTTLES AND PULLTOPS WHICH PROCLAIM THAT  
"LITTO, THE POPE VALLEY HUBCAP KING", WAS HERE.

CALIFORNIA REGISTERED HISTORICAL LANDMARK NO. 939

PLAQUE PLACED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
RECREATION IN COOPERATION WITH SPACES (SAVING AND  
PRESERVING ARTS AND CULTURAL ENVIRONMENTS), A NON-  
PROFIT EDUCATIONAL CORPORATION,                     (date)                    .