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President's Final Message

It is with great honor that I have the chance to address all of you in my final statement as President of the PBVC.

As you know, the PBVC, since its inception, has been a very challenging project. For the past five and a half years, this challenge has allowed me to keep my involvement at a high level.

Since my first introduction to the Village, I have had the pleasure to work with some tremendous volunteers that I would like to mention in my final address.

- Larry Carroll, from the 1981-82 Board, was a great delight to work with. His humor and charm allowed all of us to get through a very tension filled time.

- Dynee Lawler, who had the courage to stay involved with the Village while others close to her were quitting the project.

- Eric Davies, for his support individually, as well as his commitment from a corporate standpoint.

- Bonese Turner, for her cheer and outlook on the project.

- Amy Skillman, for her tireless work during tough times in her personal and professional life.

- To all of our volunteer professionals, from Al Okuma, to Paul Czirban, to the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)

- To all of our paid professionals from Rose Galati, to Ray Girvigian, to John Nelson, and

- To the PBVC current Board of Directors:

* Joanne Johnson, my birthday mate, and exceptionally talented Board Member. Without JJ, folks, I guess I would have given up a long time ago.

* Barbara Motley, a caring person who, with all her heart, wants to see the Village restored and reopened for all to enjoy.

* Randy Strong, a professional who has provided stability to the Board with his sound judgment concerning tough business matters.

* Virginia Ashby, a supporter of Grandma's artistic spirit, and extraordinary force in my belief with the project.

* Helen Dennert, a true community activist with the determination and skills to make Grandma's Village live on forever.

So, as was given to me by John Grey, and to him by Maureen Michaelson, and to her by Ginger Gharardi, I now would like to "pass the baton" to Helen who, with patience and the right support, can help make the BV into the showcase that we all have worked so very hard for.

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