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June 26, 2025

IN REPLY REFER TO:
Doc. No. 2506MK02

Mr. Franklin Pang
Cupboard, LLC
1616 Liliha Street, #202
Honolulu, HI 96817

Dear Mr. Pang:

**SUBJECT: Wood Tenement Buildings Behind Tong Fat Co.
Urgent Request for Removal from the Hawaii Register of Historic Places
SIHP No. 50-80-14-08863
Nimitz Hwy and River Street
Honolulu Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of O'ahu
TMK: : (1) 1-5-007:003**

The State of Hawaii Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) received the following documentation from Franklin Pang, Manager and Owner of Cupboard, LLC:

- Letter, dated June 9, 2025, titled *Historic Name: Wood Tenement Buildings behind Tong Fat Co., TMK: (1) 1-5-007:003, Location 425 N. King Street, Honolulu, HI 96817*, received via fax on June 11, 2025, at 5:08 pm. (with cover sheet)
- Letter, dated June 11, 2025, titled *Urgent Request for Removal from the Hawaii Register of Historic Places Wood Tenement Buildings behind Tong Fat Co., TMK 1-1-5-007:0003* received via fax on June 11 at 5:24 pm. (with cover sheet)
- Letter dated June 11, 2025, titled *Urgent Request for Removal from the Hawaii Register of Historic Places Wood Tenement Buildings behind Tong Fat Co., TMK 1-1-5-007:0003* received via postal mail June 16, 2025. (This letter is identical to the faxed version dated June 11, 2025.)

Your letters requested and provided rationale for the removal of the Wood Tenement Buildings Behind Tong Fat Co. property from the Hawaii Register of Historic Places.

The Wood Tenement Buildings Behind Tong Fat Co. (SIHP # 50-80-14-08863) were placed on the Hawaii Register of Historic Places on July 31, 2020. These buildings were determined to be locally significant under Criterion A for their association with the development of the A'ala neighborhood

and the social history and development of the Japanese and Chinese communities in Honolulu and under Criterion C as a rare surviving example of an early twentieth-century tenement cluster.

In accordance with *Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) §13-198-10, Removal of properties from the Hawaii register:*

- (a) *Properties listed in the Hawaii register may be removed therefrom:*
- (1) *When the qualities which caused them originally to be listed have been lost or destroyed; or*
 - (2) *Upon proof that an error in professional judgment has been made; or*
 - (3) *For failure to follow the procedures set forth in these rules.*
- (b) *The procedures for removal of properties from the Hawaii register shall be parallel to the foregoing rules for registration.*

(Reference: <https://files.hawaii.gov/dlnr/shpd/rules/198.pdf>)

Pursuant to HAR §13-198-10 (b), the process for removal parallels the original nomination process. Accordingly, your property will be scheduled for review at an upcoming Hawaii Historic Places Review Board meeting tentatively set for November 21, 2025. This schedule allows time for public notice and notification to relevant agencies and interested parties.

You will have the opportunity to present your findings and supporting documentation to the Review Board during the meeting, including any evidence that supports your request for removal from the Register. Please note that the Review Board members may also request a site visit prior to the meeting to assist in their evaluation.

Please contact Mary Kodama, Architecture Branch Chief at mary.kodama@hawaii.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Aloha



Jessica L. Puff
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Administrator, State Historic Preservation Division

cc: Nick Belluzzo, Chair, Hawaii Historic Places Review Board



July 10, 2025

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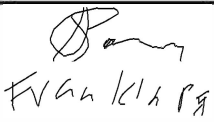
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The above mentioned property will be presented to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board (HHPRB) for consideration to the Hawaii Register of Historic Places and recommendation for the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination will be heard at the following HHPRB meeting:

Date: July 31, 2020

Time: 9:00am-4:00pm

Location: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82411001323?pwd=N3FFSFI3RGtLVG5FZVtkQ1JpRml6dz09>

Meeting ID: 824 1100 1323

Password: 1BZcPZ

A draft agenda for the meeting will be available on the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) website 30 days prior to the meeting: <http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/shpd/state-register/state-review-board/>. SHPD will contact homeowners and nominators regarding HHPRB site visits.

If you would like to provide written comments, please email or mail comments by Monday July 27, 2020. You may provide comment to the following:

Emailed Comments: DLNR.Intake.SHPD@hawaii.gov

Mailed Comments: State Historic Preservation Division
601 Kamokila Boulevard
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Mahalo,
Alan Downer

Alan S. Downer, PhD
Administrator, State Historic Preservation Division

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