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Capitola City Council

I am writing to you as a concerned long time resident and advocate for the preservation of the Stockton Bridge in Capitola. I understand that there have been discussions regarding the future of the bridge, and I would like to express my strong support for efforts to protect this important landmark.

The Stockton Bridge holds significant historical and cultural value for our community. Built over 91 years ago, it has been a vital connector between residents, businesses, and visitors. More than just a bridge, it represents the story of Capitola's growth, evolution, and unique charm. Its distinct character and architectural beauty are essential components of what makes our town so special.

For many, the Stockton Bridge is not just a piece of infrastructure, but a beloved feature that ties us to the past. It frames views of our stunning local landscapes, the bridge is an integral part of the daily life in this community. The preservation of such landmarks help maintain the identity of our town and ensures that future generations can experience the same connection to our history.

I beleive that, with thoughtful planning and collaboration, we can find a way to restore the bridge, ensuring that it continues to serve the needs of our community while honoring its historical significance. The bridge does not need to be torn down; instead we should look at innovative solutions that allow for its preservation.

I urge you to consider the long term impact of demolishing such an iconic structure. Not only would it be a loss for local residents, but it would also diminish the character that makes Capitola a destination for visitors. There are ample examples of historic landmarks across the country that have been successfully preserved. I have full confidence that we can find a similar solution for Stockton Bridge.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I am eager to see our community work together to find the best way forward and preserve one of Capitola's most cherished landmarks.

Vote to preserve the bridge!

The Crisham Family