

SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

April 17, 2019

STATEMENT:

TO: Historic and Design Review Commission, City of San Antonio

RE: Item B-17: 307 E Evergreen Street

HDRC Case No. 2019-130

The San Antonio Conservation Society supports the proposed landmark designation of the Cole House located at 307 E Evergreen. The house contributes architecturally to the surrounding neighborhood and its original design remains visually intact. In addition, it is significant as the childhood home of Medal of Honor recipient Lt. Col. Robert G. Cole.

Lt. Col. Cole lived in this house with his mother from 1919 until he left for West Point in 1935. Awarded the highest military honor following his service during the Invasion of Normandy, Lt. Col. Cole posthumously lent his name to numerous institutions, including the Junior and Senior High School of Ft. Sam Houston. He has also been immortalized in pop culture through a series of video games. There is no doubt that Cole House should become a local landmark and may be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Thank you.

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