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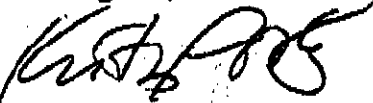
Dear Alice,

This letter is to request your permission to allow Caltech researchers to photograph the structural and architectural drawings of the Holiday Inn building on Orion Blvd in Van Nuys, CA, currently on file with the City of Los Angeles, and to distribute and use these photographs in academic study by researchers of the Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research (PEER) Center. (Information on PEER can be found at <http://peer.berkeley.edu>.) As part of documenting our research, photographs of drawings may appear in technical publications on earthquake engineering.

The purpose of our research is to develop new analysis and design methodologies to control economic loss and mitigate casualties in future earthquakes. Caltech and PEER will be grateful for your contribution to this effort. Our publications will acknowledge your contribution, and provide proper bibliographic reference to Rissman & Rissman's drawings.

Could you please countersign below to show your permission, and fax this letter back to me at the number shown above? Thanks very much. Please call me if you would like to know more about our research, or if you have any other questions. Again, condolences on your recent loss.

Best regards,



Keith Porter, Ph.D.
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Agreed,



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