

These property owners and leaders were saluted Wednesday for their historical preservation efforts with official proclamations declaring their homes to be City of Santa Cruz historical landmarks. From left, Janet and Charles Gunn, Pat Wilder, Doni Tunheim and Marge Baron accept the proclamations from Virginia Sharp, chairman of the city historical preservation commission.

Nine Buildings In Santa Cruz Declared Historical Landmarks

Nine buildings in the City of Santa Cruz were officially declared "historical landmarks" in proclamations issued to their owners last week.

Presentations were by Virginia Sharp, chairman of the city's historical preservation commission.

Sharp acted as stand-in for Vice Mayor Joseph Ghio, who was supposed to act as a stand-in for the absent Mayor John Mahaney, who issued the proclamations.

But the owners present were clealy happy to get the papers from Sharp, who has long worked in cooperation with them and other preservation groups to retain the city's more significant buildings as part of the local heritage.

Sharp thanked all the owners for "their vigilant concern and helpfulness" in the effort to get the first group of historical landmarks established.

The buildings declared 'land-marks' cannot be altered exteriorly in the future without specific authorization from the commission and the city council.

The awards went to Ed and Doni Tunheim for the old "Reynolds House" at 123 Green St; to Janet and Charles Gunn for the "Hagemann House" at 105 Mentel Ave.; to Marge and Steve Baron for the "Davis House" at 201 Mission St; to Dr. and Mrs. Niven for the "Haslam House" at 304 Walnut Ave.; to Pete and Judy Steen for their house at 114 Escalona Drive; to Gretchen and Jason Goldstein for "Alzina House" at 109 Sylvar St.; to Pat Wilder for "Monte Carlo" at 924 Third St.; to Esther Abbott for The Row Houses from 412 to 420 Lincoln; and to The Old Adobe on School Street, owned by the state.

Present to accept the proclamations were Doni Tunheim, a member of the commission, Marge Baron, Pat Wilder, Janet and Charles Gunn.

In other business at the commission meeting, a resolution of appreciation for outstanding service to the cause of historic preservation was given to Margaret Lezin, who left the commission recently.