



March 6, 2020

Washington State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation  
PO Box 48343  
Olympia, WA 98501

Attn: Michael Houser, State Architectural Historian, [Michael.Houser@dahp.wa.gov](mailto:Michael.Houser@dahp.wa.gov).

Dear Members of the Washington State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation,

The Pacific Northwest Defense Coalition (PNDC) is urging your support for adding the Apollo Lunar Roving Vehicles on the Moon to Washington's Heritage Register. PNDC is the business trade association for Pacific Northwest defense and security industry businesses. Our mission is to bring more defense & security contracts to the Pacific Northwest and to support the supply chain for these companies, thereby helping create, grow and diversify business development opportunities for a wide range of Oregon and Washington companies. Our 300+ member companies range from large Fortune 100 companies to small machine shops and support the supply chain in aerospace, unmanned systems, advanced manufacturing, tactical equipment, information technology, maritime defense, homeland security, **space exploration**, and more.

The Lunar Rover is history's first and only manned surface transportation system designed to operate on the Moon. Never has so much imagination, research and public investment gone into the production of a wheeled vehicle, making possible the greatest manned explorations of the Moon in 1971-72. At its Kent-based Space Center, The Boeing Company designed, tested and built the four-wheeled vehicles NASA used during Apollo Missions 15, 16 and 17.

Scientist-astronaut Harrison Schmitt of Apollo 17 said *"The Lunar Rover proved to be the reliable, safe and flexible lunar exploration vehicle we expected it to be. Without it, the major scientific discoveries of Apollo 15, 16, and 17 would not have been possible; and our current understanding of lunar evolution would not have been possible."*

The Lunar Rovers represent a significant contribution to Kent's history as a center for space technology development, as well as Washington's role in the historic Apollo program. Countless numbers of Boeing employees and subcontractors worked on the Lunar Rovers, and their achievement remains of major historical value to the city, the state, and our nation. We would like to celebrate that and the contributions of the companies that made this happen!

PNDC supports adding the Apollo Lunar Rovers to Washington's Heritage Register and appreciates your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Garrison".

Sarah Garrison, President & CEO

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Kent Youth and Family Service, a Kent based non-profit social service organization, has been a partner with the City of Kent for decades on various projects related to children, youth and families that have enhanced their lives and the community of Kent. KYFS support adding the Apollo Lunar Rovers to Washington's Heritage Register and appreciate your consideration of the same.

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Michael Heinisch  
Executive Director

Washington State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

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I grew up with the space program and watched all of this unfold on TV, it sparked my imagination as I hope this designation will keep this era alive and sparking the imagination of children for decades to come.

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Sincerely,

Jeff Middleton

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## Houser, Michael (DAHP)

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**From:** Loville, Derek <Derek.Loville@leg.wa.gov> on behalf of Entenman, Rep. Debra <Debra.Entenman@leg.wa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:44 AM  
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Sincerely,

Representative Debra Entenman  
47<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

October 22, 2020

King County Landmarks Commission  
King County Preservation Program  
201 S. Jackson St. #700  
Seattle, Washington 98104

Distinguished Commissioners,

Please accept this letter in support of the designation of the Apollo Program's Lunar Roving Vehicles on the Moon as Historic Landmarks. With my colleagues in 2010, I led the effort in the State of California to successfully nominate the artifacts and structures at the Apollo 11 Tranquility Base site on the Moon to the California Register of Historical Resources. Shortly thereafter, we were successful in nominating the site to the New Mexico Register of Cultural Properties and worked with the legislature in the state of Hawaii to designate Tranquility Base Day. That the State of Washington similarly acknowledges the important role that these objects, structures, and sites on the Moon played in the history of the state, our nation, and our world is commendable. I applaud your efforts to seek this important recognition to human history on the Moon, and fully support this nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Westwood".

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