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## PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM REAFFIRMS POSITION ON FOREVER MARILYN STATUE

PALM SPRINGS, CA (August 12, 2024) – The City of Palm Springs recently announced an agreement in principle to relocate the "Forever Marilyn" statue from Museum Way to the adjacent Downtown Park. Palm Springs Art Museum supports the compromise being developed by the involved parties, allowing residents and tourists to continue enjoying the statue while maintaining a clear view of the museum.

"The museum is pleased to see a compromise that preserves an open view corridor to our historic building while also allowing the community to enjoy the statue in downtown Palm Springs," said Adam Lerner, JoAnn McGrath Executive Director of Palm Springs Art Museum. "We believe that moving the statue a few feet away to the adjacent park will have a minimal impact on its presence downtown."

Additionally, the museum's Board of Trustees continues to support the 2016 Downtown Palm Springs plan, which recognizes the museum as a historic structure and emphasizes the importance of preserving a clear visual corridor from Palm Canyon Drive.

For more information about Palm Springs Art Museum, please visit psmuseum.org.

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## **About Palm Springs Art Museum**

Palm Springs Art Museum is the largest cultural institution in the Coachella Valley. The flagship building, located in downtown Palm Springs, features compelling art exhibitions, a vast permanent collection, and the Annenberg Theater, all in a 150,000-square-foot, architecturally significant building. Five blocks away, the Palm Springs Art Museum Architecture and Design Center, Edwards Harris Pavilion, features exhibitions and programming that explore the rich topics of architecture and design. The museum's collection also contains two icons of modernist design: *Frey House II* on the mountainside behind the main building and Aluminaire House™ on museum grounds.