

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

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January 4, 1981

Lt. Robert Ryan U.S. Coast Guard, Monterey 100 Lighthouse Avenue Monterey, Ca. 93940

Dear Lt. Ryan:

If possible, I would like to meet with you at your convenience along with appropriate personnel in charge of the Point Pinos Lighthouse, to discuss means of making the facility more secure against potential theft, and vandalism.

This past Saturday, January 3rd, we again found the front and back doors of the Light Station standing wide open with no personnel on the premises. There have been other times in which the doors have been insecurely latched so that one might enter by merely pushing on the door.

Also it is apparent that the lock on the kitchen side of the lighthouse is being forced with a screwdriver rather than using a key. This is how the contractor who installed the radio beacon was told to enter. Because the museum has furnishings of considerable value at the lighthouse, and because the facility is in a remote area, it behooves us to tighten up the security.

Would you please call so that a mutually convenient time might be arranged for a brief meeting.

Thank you very much.

Vernal L. Yadon

Director

Sincerely,

cc: Gary Bales, City Manager VLY:1s