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Subject: Re: 488 Locust Street - proposed revised heritage designation
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Dear city Council

After extensive consultation with my architect to find a reasonable solution to my original plan to build 3 unit for my children and my wife and I; he suggested that it is still possible if we could only keep the front side elevation facing Locust Street heritage rather than the front side and the two side. **Please see attached rendering.**

Therefore, I am writing to ask that we keep the only the front face as the heritage wall intact . The ARA report does not explicitly state that the sides have the same historical significance as the front heritage wall. Therefore, I ask the council to support the decision to not include the sides of house as heritage , while still preserving the front face wall and allowing development on the back.

In addition, I believe that the new development can be designed in a way that complements the existing heritage wall and adds to the beauty of our City. By preserving the front heritage wall and incorporating it into the new development, we can achieve a balance between preserving our history and promoting progress.

Therefore, I urge you to consider this alternative solution and to find ways to preserve the front heritage wall while also allowing me to build my new home. Let us work together to honor our heritage and promote the growth and development of our city.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael Sobhi