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Mayor Gary Becker
Members of the Common Council
c/o Janice Johnson-Martin, City Clerk

Subject: Group Re-Designation of Racine Landmarks.

Dear Mayor Becker and Honorable Aldermen:

Chapter 58 Historic Preservation, of the Racine Municipal Code, provides certain protections for properties designated as a Racine Landmark. Chapter 58 leaves more vulnerable to loss or damage, due to inappropriate or irreversible alterations, those Racine Landmarks designated prior to January 1, 2006.

A group re-designation of pre 1/1/06 properties would be an expeditious manner by which to provide equal standards of protection for all properties having the Racine Landmark designation. It is important that the planning and implementation efforts commence in order to better protect these valuable and irreplaceable assets.

I respectfully ask that this matter be referred to the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

Sincerely,


Mary Whitman, Chair
Landmarks Preservation Commission

cc. Brian F. O'Connell, Director of City Development
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