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Mrs.Heather

I would like to have this letter added to the agenda folder for 591 maitland Street hearing on monday November 05-2012

Hello to the members of the planning and environment committee - My name is Kim Bardai and I live at 593 Maitland St. north of the 591 Maitland.

First of all I want to start by saying that non of members of the woodfield committee is speaking on my behalf or any of my neighbors - whatever problem they have with the demolition of the property in question is a decision they made without consulting any of neighbors on maitland st. They not once have engaged any conversation or meeting with any of the home owners that are most effected by the decision made here today. If they would have engaged in a conversation with neighbors - the woodfield committee would have realized that what home owner on maitland st. wants is totally different from what woodfield committee wants for our neighborhood.I can't figure out why someone that doesn't even live in our (which are the members of woodfield committee) are concerned to what rest of us need? In your folder you will also find over 60 signature from home owner of the woodfield that disagree with the woodfield committee's request to stop the demolition. There are over 1600 home owners in the woodfield and yet the woodfield committee has only 240 members in their group so you can see that their are lots of people in our committee that disagree with their agenda.

I have lived at 593 maitland st. for 17years and I have had to endure endless amount of new tenants coming and going every year. Having had tenants park cars on front lawns - garbage everywhere - loud music - endless parties - lawn not being cut(I go through great length to keep my front and back lawn in great shape) only to have the tenants disrespect the work I have put into my lawn - having some of the tenants and their children's using my front driveway has their play ground.I have had friends and neighbors say "WOW" how have you been able to live here for so long? With all I have had to endure.I knew one day that someone would come by and see the potential for the property and now we do.It's this young couple who want to build a home for themselves and raise their new born here and that is a welcome news to all us that live next to this decapitated home.

At the present time the building it self on 591 Maitland St. is ready to fall over - the chimney is leaning over - there are skunks that are living in the back shed - there are raccoons living under the front porch - there birds living in the washroom vents - I am surprised the building survived the Sandy Storm that we just had this week - I was sure the building was going to fall over.Also the previous landlord had done zero repair to this building since I have lived next door.This building has been neglected for years and from what I can see it is not worth fixing. The best way to fix this problem id to demolish it and build new.I wish there was a way for this committee members here today be able to go in person and take walk around and through the building to see what kind of the shape 591 maitland st. is in and I am sure all of you members on the Planning and Environment Committee would agree that this building needs to come down.

In front of you - You have a report from the heritage committee which I think is a very bias report. The report is produced by a group of people that have a limited knowledge on what the heritage committee is about and what they are voting for and against when it comes for issues to do with demolition. I have been to there meeting and it seems that they are always a member or two that are confused has to what heritage committees their mandate. .Also the report is partially produced by Wes Kinghorn who is also the chair of the Heritage Committee and Co-Chair of the Woodfield Committee too and that's why I think the report from Heritage Committee is bias and should be ignored and should not have any bearing on your decision here.

In conclusion I would like to say to this committee is that here we have this young couple who are starting there new family and they have chosen woodfield committee to do so. We are has neighbors are excited to have this couple wanting to move into our committee and are wanting to

do some thing for committee by taking this old falling house wanting to build new house for themselves and their children.I am all about saving our heritage foot print in this committee but this NOT one of the building that needs saving. The best thing that can happen for our neighborhood is to have this house GONE and a new home built on this property.