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To: Land Use Committee
Historic Preservation Advisory Committee
Stamford, CT Board of Representatives

## Gentlemen:

I am writing to express my support for a Study Committee for the neighborhood group to gather information to determine if a Local Historic District Commission would be possible to protect and preserve the neighborhood character and style.

My husband and I have lived in the South End for over 16 years and find it to be a nice place to make our home. Over the years, there have been many changes, some good updates to walking and streets, but some have been overwhelming such as a 15-story structure across the street from our apartment ruining our view and streetscape. We would not want to see the same happen in our backyard over time.

If it were not for the affordability of this apartment, we might not be able to keep living in Stamford due to the very high rents in the surrounding area and in town in general. Multi-family homes in the South End provide these types of living opportunities, and we believe it is important to safeguard them.

Thank you.

Agata Jakubek

To: Members of Land Use Committee, Historic Preservation Advisory Commission and Board of Representatives for the City of Stamford

I will support a Study Committee for getting opinions from owners of homes in the South End. It is very important to preserve history and have design guidelines to ensure protection of existing homes. This would be more possible with a local historic district commission.

I have lived in the South End for many years and enjoyed all that Stamford has to offer thanks to having rent that is affordable which is more possible in multi-family homes rather than high rise apartments with much higher costs.

I enjoy seeing open space outside my window and hope the surrounding neighborhood will have more balanced development.

Thank you.

Marcin Jajuga

South End Resident

January 19, 2020

To: Stamford, CT Board of Representatives

As a long time resident of the South End, I agree with what the neighborhood group is trying to do to have a Study Committee to listen to owners of historic homes. I enjoy planting flowers to keep the porch with a beautiful look. We are hoping that the rest of the neighborhood will have thoughtful development and preservation of houses with nice open spaces and garden areas to walk in.

Thank you.

Mrs. Krystyna Kraus

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