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Sent: Sunday, February 11, 2007 2:10 PM
To: Schiller, Lynn
Subject: Preservation of Downer Ave Neighborhood

To Those Concerned,

The neighborhood on Downer is a very special place for the patrons and residents. It is a wonderful blend of residences and businesses who have supported the city for many years. Please do not let this area become overdeveloped with plans for oversized buildings that will destroy the Historical and familial atmosphere of the neighborhood. Our citizens need gentle places like this for gathering and have done so for years. Progress is progress but let us not forget the people who live there.

To Squeeze in a 3 Story Parking Structure right up next to a residential property is disregard for the people who live there and their safety. How would you feel if someone did this to your home that you have lived in for 31years? Exhaust, potential crime, noise and a lack of privacy are major losses for these residents who have payed taxes and have been loyal patrons to the businesses of the area.

We live in Whitefish Bay and shop at most of the shops in this area regularly. This is prime real estate with great historical and community value. Sendiks and Downer Theater serve people from all over the city. Why preserve areas like Walkers Point just to destroy areas like this for the East side?

I am asking you to please be loyal to the citizens rather than to an outside developer who has no idea about the destruction this will do to the Downer Avenue Neighborhood/Community Atmosphere.

I write this with great hope that you will Stop this development and consider the loyalty of citizens who care about preserving this neighborhood that has served many in it own unique way.Thank You.

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