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Subject: DOWNER AVENUE

REGARDING: City of Milwaukee file #0600705 and #060575

TO ALL WHO SHARE MY CONCERNS ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF DOWNER AVENUE

I have grown up and lived in the Downer Avenue area all of my life until moving to Ozaukee County in 2000. Downer Avenue has always been a fascinating place to play and shop...Dorothy Bradley Gallery, Mrs. Fischer Knitting, French Knots. Jeanette Schaefer Books, Websters Books, Sendiks, Coffee Trader...etc. etc. You get the picture. Now, the historical appearance of the area is under consideration for development. The last area that has affected me so strongly was the destruction of the Northwestern Railway Depot.....Need I say more? DOWNER AVENUE has a unique heritage....much as Cedarburg (where I live now) has....

I SUGGEST AND RECOMMENT THAT YOU TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO PRESERVE THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT MAKE MILWAUKEE SPECIAL...THESE NEIGHBORHOODS NEED TO BE SUPPORTED AND DRAW PEOPLE TO THEM. YES, IN THE SHORT TERM SOMEONE IS GOING TO MAKE ALOT OF MONEY BY DEVELOPING THE AREA. IN THE LONG TERM IT WILL BE THE DEMISE OF A TRUELY SIGNIFICANT PART OF MILWAUKEE HERITAGE. LONG TERM MONEY WILL NOT BE SPENT ON DOWNER AVENUE BECAUSE THERE WILL BE NO ATTRACTION TO SHOPPING THERE.

Thank you for your sincere long term attention to my letter.

Sincerely,

Jane Boller Stroebel