Please add this to the Goll House file.

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To: Historic Preservation Commission

Subject: Proposed Development at Goll Mansion 1550 N. Prospect

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City of Milwaukee Historical Preservation Commission Members:

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The proposed development at 1550 N. Prospect Ave. isn't compatible with the Goll Mansion, the Oak Leaf Trail, nearby neighbors and the character of the community.

What a treasure we have in the historical mansions that still stand on Milwaukee's East side, such as the Elizabethan/Jacobean Goll Mansion built in 1898. To see major development spring up on the land the old home sits on is a shame and detracts from the character of the property and the ambiance of the area. To attempt to move the English manor house is to risk losing it altogether. I still hope that one one day she'll be lovingly restored to her full glory. With the latest proposed development by DCH Properties, the Goll Mansion will be forever changed, but not for the better, and perhaps not even left standing at all.

The current property will be overloaded with a mammoth 26 story structure that consumes every inch of space, impinging on the Oak Leak Trail below the bluff. The massive size proposed will overpower the lot and loom ominously close to the public green space it covers. If and when the development is to happen on the Goll Mansion site, I trust the city planners will consider the scope of the proposed project, and any others that may follow, and it's impact on the park space it abuts.

The 202 unit apartment building, with 4 levels of above ground parking, roof-top terrace swimming pool and 2,000 square feet of commercial space is planned to be built very close to neighboring lot lines. It will be just 3 feet from the condo to the south. Whereas the 1522 On the Lake development was completed with adequate room for green space, dog runs, and parking (including turn around). The close proximity of the proposed development is reminiscent of University Club and Kilbourn Towers. A scaled down version of this most recent proposal is clearly a desired outcome for the quality of life of neighbors next door.

I support Alderman Bauman's position that it's "an awfully big building for that site." Simply put, it doesn't fit here.

Sincerely,

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