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**Gentlemen,**

**I believe it is a vital function of Milwaukee and the Historic Preservation Commission to protect the city's historic buildings. Just as the city and it's citizens spent millions of dollars to preserve the City Hall from crumbling to the sidewalk and street, it is also important to protect the buildings and homes that made Milwaukee what it is today. I can walk down Prospect Avenue and enjoy the efforts of organizations and individual property owners efforts in preserving the heritage and history by preserving our older magnificent homes. Some have been converted to museums such as the Charles Allis and Villa Terrace homes. Others have been tastefully restored and used as commercial real estate. These can be seen on Prospect and Ogden and Prospect and Brady. These are just two that we can be proud of and are indeed enjoyed by visitors and citizens of the city alike. They now house law offices and other businesses very happy to have space is our historic city homes. There is also the Milwaukee Music Conservatory which was an old mansion put to a good use and preserving the city's historic past. The city can not loose one to a wrecking ball or conversion to something it is not.**

**The idea of attaching the old Goll Mansion to a modern high rise apartment or condominium to use as an entrance is anything but building preservation. I would not think attaching a Ford Model T to the front of a new Lincoln Continental and say I preserved the older Model T. Using the Goll Mansion as an entrance is nothing more than the developer's gimmick to get past the Goll Mansions designation as a historical city home and make a huge profit at the expense of our history.**

**Please do not let this happen to one of our treasures. It is the responsibility of the city and the Historic Preservation Committee to protect what can not protect itself. The Goll Mansion is equally important as the city hall and is on a very historic street in the city. Would anyone consider making the city hall an entrance to an apartment? If this is allowed to happen, it wont be long and the owner will find an excuse to totally rid the new structure of the old mansion, if it indeed does not get destroyed during the proposed two moves of the building.**

**The old mansion cries out for help ! Is the city going to turn a deaf ear to that sound and let our history and the Goll mansion turn into dust or an architectural eyesore?**

**Respectfully yours,**

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