

September 13, 2016

Historic Preservation Commission City of Milwaukee

Re: City of Milwaukee File #160539

Dear Members of the Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission,

The Milwaukee Preservation Alliance is in full support of permanent historic designation of the South Second Street Historic District in the 12th Aldermanic District (File #160539). The nomination is for an area that is both architecturally and historically significant. Consisting of buildings dating to the Civil War era, South Second Street is one of Milwaukee's oldest commercial districts.

The proposed South Second Street Historic District should be protected. Increased interest in development in Walker's Point puts the area in danger of losing integrity and authenticity. However, these historic properties give a sense of character to Walker's Point, and are the reason people want to live and work there.

We should be good stewards of our heritage for future generations, and preserve the buildings that embody the stories of the making of Milwaukee.

Sincerely,

Dawn McCarthy

President

Milwaukee Preservation Alliance