

## Business Improvement District 4 Mitchell Street

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**Historic Preservation Commission** 

Attn: Linda Elmer, Staff Assistant

City Hall – 200 East Wells Street

Milwaukee, WI 53202

**Dear Historic Preservation Commission Members:** 

This letter is in regard to the request by the owners of the Modjeska Theatre (MSDOC) to further extend the current Mothball Certificate which we do not support, and to urge that swift action be taken with the planned RFP being distributed to determine the Theatre's future use at 1134 W. Historic Mitchell Street.

The Board of Directors of Business Improvement District #4, in which the Modjeska Theatre is located, strong urges that the Theatre's future use be community-oriented, and that plans move ahead as soon as possible for its future use. We further point out that this historic building, which has stood vacant for over five years, is hurting the continued progress being made for the rejuvenation and economic development of the Mitchell Street commercial corridor.

We would be available to provide further information if needed. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely

**Rudy Gutierrez** 

President, Board of Directors

Business Improvement District #4, Mitchell Street

Cc: Alderman Jose G. Perez

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