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Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission  
809 N. Broadway  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
(414) 286-5722

September 28, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Betty Colla  
713 E. Brady Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Ms. Colla:

At its September 21, 2009 meeting, the Historic Preservation Commission denied your request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install fiber cement siding on your house. The commission presented a number of alternatives including leaving the house as is. There are currently no outstanding violations on the house. One way to determine the condition of the original wood siding would be to remove only a very small portion of the asphalt siding at the rear of the house. The wood may be in a good state of preservation and complete removal of the substitute siding can take place if you choose. Architectural details might be revealed that have been covered over for years and these details can add value to the house. Historic tax credits can also be investigated. The commission urged you to continue working with staff.

In the event that you wish to appeal this decision you must contact the Council Administration Manager in the Office of the City Clerk at (414) 286-2221 to schedule an appeal hearing before the Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee of the Milwaukee Common Council. You must make that contact within 20 days of the date of this letter or you will forfeit your right to an appeal.

Please call me at (414) 286-5722 if you have further questions and/or wish to pursue other alternative methods to restore/rehabilitate your house.

Sincerely,

Carlen Hatala  
Senior Planner  
Historic Preservation

C: Ald. Nik Kovac