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KEEP historically significant buildings on 700 S. Block Detroit St within the boundaries of ORIGINALLY ENDORSED Miracle Mile HPOZ

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RE: Council File # 15-0183-S1

Keep historically significant buildings on 700 S. Block of Detroit Street within the boundaries of the originally endorsed Miracle Mile HPOZ

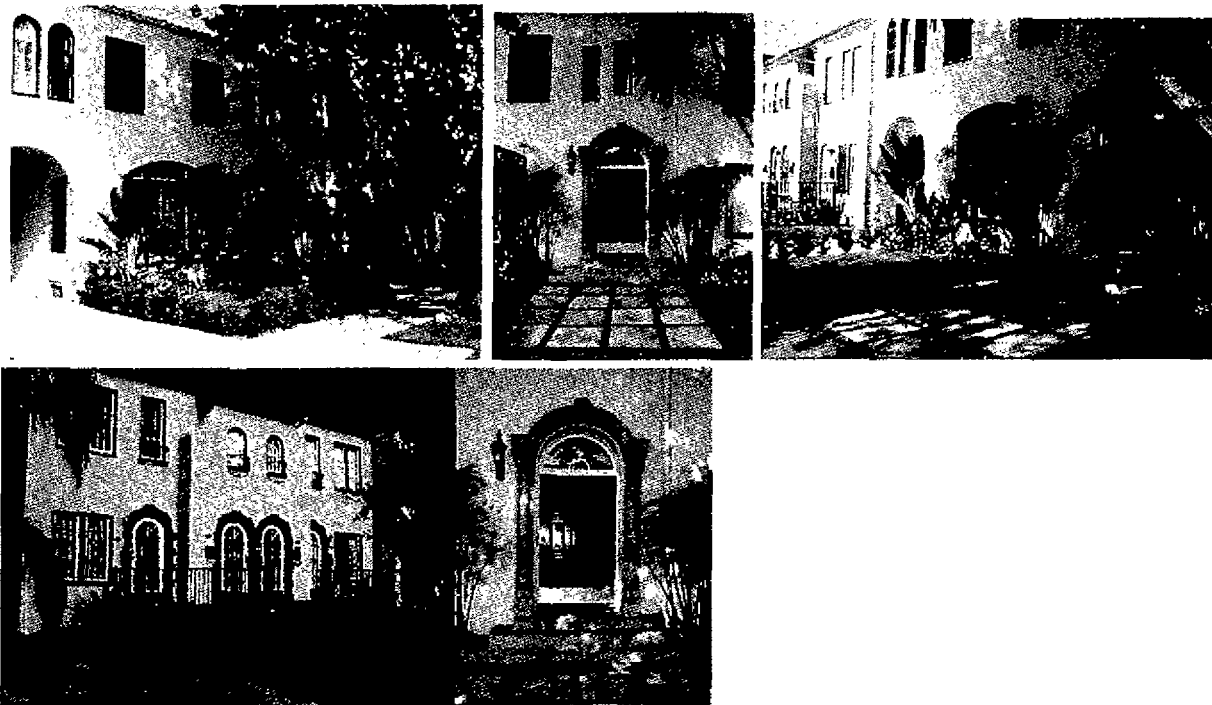
I am the owner and resident of an architecturally significant Spanish four-plex at 741 S Detroit St. located within the original boundaries of the Miracle Mile Historic Preservation Overlay Zone as adopted by the city's Cultural Heritage Commission.

On December 8, 2016, the City Planning Commission endorsed the Miracle Mile Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ).

Then, at the last minute, the Planning Commission, acting on its own and in contradiction of recommendations of the Planning Department and the Cultural Heritage Commission, rewrote the Miracle Mile HPOZ boundaries. As a result, the 700 S block of Detroit St, including my property located at 741 S. Detroit (Detroit St between 8th St and Wilshire) was excluded from the endorsed HPOZ coverage area.

YOU ARE ENDORSING THE REMOVAL OF HPOZ PROTECTION AND ULTIMATE DESTRUCTION OF 10 HISTORIC BUILDINGS ON S DETROIT ST:

Here are 2 examples: 741 S Detroit, 747 S. Detroit



The sudden rewrite of the MM HPOZ boundaries also effects 500 + residents who are included on the those other blocks between 8th and Wilshire in the MMR area.

I am writing to strongly protest this last minute change, especially targeting 700 S block of Detroit St from 8th St to Wilshire, and I insist the lines be redrawn to re-include the original planned blocks for HPOZ .

The 700 Block of S. Detroit St one the neighborhood's finest examples of 1920's Spanish duplex, four-plex and six-plex buildings. Removing that block from the HPOZ zone is a death knell to those buildings, we the building owners and the 60 + renters that occupy them.

Mr. Ryu, I voted for you and supported your campaign. When you ran for city council one of your platforms was to limit the adding of more large scale residential apartment developments Los Angeles.

The last thing needed are more huge residential monstrosities to destroy our limited supply of historic architecture. LA's beautiful history is being bulldozed and we can't stand by while it keeps happening.

Here is your opportunity to stand up for the residents that supported, voted for and believed your campaign promises.

We all look forward to seeing you at the meeting to discuss our concerns:

February 6, 2017, at 7 PM, at 745 S. Genesee Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90036

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I am respectfully requesting that the council restore those homes and duplexes in the areas North of 8th and the west side of Orange grove Ave south of 8 th st.

I implore you to consider the working class families who rent and own in this area. We want to be a part of the HPOZ to preserve the unique characteristics of our neighborhood. It is also important to remember that these homes have been and are owned by well know African-Americans in sports (1068 Redondo Jim Gilliam), politics (Gwen Moore) and academics. The area represents historical integration during redlining and other discriminatory practices in this neighborhood. The homes have been preserved and loved for generations. As a resident for 27years I want to be part of the legacy that the HPOZ will ensure.

Please Vote to add back the original boundaries of the HPOZ recommended by the Cultural Heritage Commission and qualified historic preservation consultants.

Donna Benton

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Herb Wesson please support this request

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Have a great day