## **Jennifer Ross**

**From:** Cyndia Robinson <cynn@curenailhouse.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 14, 2021 12:40 PM

**To:** Jennifer Ross

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]119 Garfield Support Letter

To the Historic District Commission,

My name is Cyndia Robinson, and I am writing to express my support for the approval without conditions of the Sugar Hill Mixed Use Development at 119 Garfield. I am an entrepreneur of color and the proud owner of Cure Nailhouse— a philanthropic beauty salon that provides beautiful nail services while simultaneously empowering the community through the arts, workforce development, and training. I am also, importantly here, a proud future tenant of the Sugar Hill Mixed Use Development at 119 E Garfield. Over the past year, working through the process of meeting the owners, Develop Detroit and POAH, signing an LOI, and finally executing my lease for the retail space facing Garfield street, I have become very familiar with, and invested in, the development as well as the neighborhood and district. Throughout this process I have seen the work that has gone into bringing this development to life and have been impressed and inspired by the owners- they have demonstrated time and again their commitment to the community, to quality, to honest communication, and to the City of Detroit.

I strongly believe that the design as is being constructed is wholly appropriate for this wonderful historic cultural district and would request that the commission approve the application as is presented without conditions. The building is fantastic, and it will begin to truly contribute to the cultural district upon opening and operations- my business, the other commercial tenants, the residents, and everyone who will seek out the building as a destination will ignite this cultural contribution. Once again, I love the building, think it is a wonderful design as is, and believe the task ahead is to get the project to the finish line without delay, so I and other can begin to breathe additional life into this historic cultural district.

All the Best,



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