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Historic District Commission 2 Woodward Ave, Suite 808 Detroit, MI 48226

Subject: Support for Proposed Project at 2108 Burns

Dear Historic District Commission of Detroit,

I am writing in support of a home project being proposed by our neighbor Gary Brownell from 2108 Burns Ave. in Historic Indian Village. As a member of this community and an urban designer, I would like to express my support for this project, which will only help to further advance the wonderful neighborhood we are all part of.

Gary is an important member of our community and has shown dedication to preserving and improving our neighborhood in many ways. Having reviewed his plans for his home, I'm amazed at how he's both honored the existing character of the historic neighborhood *and* shown that modern improvements can be made tastefully and respectfully. I believe these improvements will be an asset to the community, further reinforcing the value of the neighborhood, particularly on the thoroughfare of Kercheval. This is exactly the kind of community stewardship we need as we continue to see new interest in our wonderful city: it's an example of how to build it right.

The project will not detract from our neighborhood in any way but will rather build on the charming character of the Historic Indian Village. I'm excited to see more responsible and creative solutions like the one Gary is proposing to enhance the community while protecting its historic character. The proposed plans will see the property upgraded and beautified, which can only be a positive for our community.

Yours sincerely,

Ashley Davidson