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Dear Historic District Commission,

We received your Notice of Work Observed regarding our fence for our home: 1425 Chicago Blvd, Detroit, MI 48206. This past summer the integrity of the fence inherited from the previous owners began to fail, and we frequently had sections of pickets fall off during wind storms. Even without storms the fence pickets had begun to fall off of the frame, pickets had broken into pieces as they were not properly weatherized when first built, and the frame itself was damaged by wood rot. We have a dog and a newborn and were focused on keeping the backyard and neighbors safe. Also, there have been multiple sightings of stray dogs and even coyotes in our neighborhood and therefore in our efforts for safety and timeliness we failed to submit an application.

Attached is a retro application, a photo of the fence from when we first acquired the house in 2018 (alternating black and white sections), a photo of painting that fence which illustrates the beginning of the broken pickets and falling frame, and a photo of the new fence with treated wood.

Best,
Meaghan and Jacob Marion