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Ms. Mary Jo Gallindo and HLC Commissioner Historic Landmark Commission City Of Austin

Re: 606 and 608 East Third Street

Dear Chair Galindo and Commissioners,

Preservation Austin requests that the Historic Landmark Commission postpone the release of the demolition permit for the houses located at 606 and 608 East Third Street, both of which were constructed c. 1880.

Although they are not in the Hofheinzt-Reissig Store National Register District Historic District, they are adjacent to it. Additionally, these properties were identified in the Addendum to the Historic Resource Reconnaissance Survey Waller Creek Tunnel Project, completed February 2010, as eligible for the National Register.

We respectfully request that the Historic Landmark Commission either postpone release of the demolition permit to allow for alternatives to demolition be investigated or initiate historic ("H") zoning of these properties.

Preservation Austin thanks you for your time and consideration on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Alyson McGee

President of the Board of Directors