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Case Number: GF 23-087257 - 908 Josephine St.

Contact: Amber Allen, (512)974-3393

Public Hearing: Historic Landmark Commission, Sept. 6, 2023

Good Day,

We are sending you our concerns via email because we will be out of town on Sept. 6th the day of the Hearing. My husband Jonas Bailey and myself live at 909 Jessie St, Austin, TX 78704 which is behind 908 Josephine St. The attached statement was written by my husband, Jonas. I would like to also include another important issue that will effect and possibly distroy a beautiful grove a historical Pecan trees. Our city is losing so much with the massive redevelopment of our neighborhoods. We need more green space not less! I encourage you to tour the property and see for yourself what might be effected with this demolition.

Mary E. Bailey
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WE OBJECT THE DEMOLITION OF 908 Josephine St. 78704

As a neighbor I cannot support the proposed demolition of the home at 908 Josephine St. Stone homes in the Zilker neighborhood are increasingly rare, and especially so in the Okie Heights section of Zilker. This home is a lovely example, and all efforts should be made to preserve the home in order to preserve the character of the neighborhood. Yes, I know the home is old and small, but that does not mean that it is not worthy of preservation. Similar small and old stone homes, such as the one at 1804 Treadwell St., have been saved and rehabbed as part of a property redevelopment. Why can't the same thing be done here? Why is demolition the only option? Haven't we lost enough of our history and our neighborhood charm here in Zilker? This home does not deserve demolition. We neighbors should not stand for it.
Jonas W. Bailey

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