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Amber Allen City of Austin, Historic Preservation Office PO Box 1088 Austin, TX 78767

RE: State Theater initiation of historic zoning

Amber,

We recently reviewed the proposed renovations to the State Theater, located at 719 Congress Ave. We were surprised to learn that the property is not currently designated a historic landmark by the City of Austin.

I am writing to request that the State Theater be placed on our agenda for consideration of historic zoning. This facility has played a significant role in the history of Austin's art scene. I am interested in the evaluation of this site for its community value, in addition to its architectural significance and its association with important historical figures.

I look forward to further information and discussions about this important property.

Thank you,

Ben Heimsath

HLC Commission Chair