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Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 9:24 AM
To: Punt, Colin
Subject: FW: Demolition of 1322 Chandler St

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Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 9:21 AM
To: Prusak, Sydney <SPrusak@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Demolition of 1322 Chandler St

Dear Sydney -

I know this a little late but I would still like to comment on the proposed demolition of the home at 1322 Chandler St.

I'm very concerned with the increasing number of tear-downs in the Greenbush neighborhood (and in other traditional Madison neighborhoods). Removing the functional yet small houses eliminates entry-level size homes for first-time home buyers. The replacement houses have far larger footprints and rarely fit the style of the existing housing stock. And of course they are often twice as expensive as the houses that they replace so will never be within reach of most first-time home buyers.

Instead of gentrifying the neighborhood through new construction, I think that the existing loan program for people to purchase, renovate and owner-occupy the rental houses should be expanded. It can continue to be funded through all of the new commercial projects that are being built in this area.

Therefore, I do not support the demolition permit of 1322 Chandler. Preserving the fabric of our neighborhoods is important!

Thank you,

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