



Dane County Historical Society

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Common Council Office
c/o Lisa Veldran, Administrative Assistant
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Madison WI 53703

RE: Landmark Status for Schubert Building

To the Council,

On behalf of the Dane County Historical Society, I am writing to wholeheartedly support the nomination by the Madison Trust for Historic Preservation to designate the Schubert Building located at 120 W. Mifflin St., Madison, as a City of Madison Landmark, in honor of its upcoming 100-year anniversary. This interesting and unique building designed by Ferdinand L. Kronenberg represents some of the best of Madison's architecture and helps us recall an interesting period in the city's history. It is one of our city's only remaining Queen Anne style commercial buildings from that era to retain its original storefront.

The Dane County Historical Society's Otto Schroeder Records Center is home to the original 1908 architectural plans for the Schubert Building. The Schubert plans are part of our larger collection of 149 plans and drawings done by local master architect Ferdinand L. Kronenberg. The collection as a whole reinforces the notion that Kronenberg and his buildings have been an integral and important part of the development of Madison and of Dane County.

As part of the mission of the Dane County Historical Society to *preserve, advance and disseminate knowledge of the history of Dane County, Wisconsin*, we urge you to consider our support as you make decisions about preserving this outstanding and recognizable surviving example of 19th-century architecture by a renowned local Madison architect.

Thank you for your consideration of our support for this nomination.

Sincerely,

Mary Clark, *President*
Dane County Historical Society

xc: Michael Bridgeman

Madison Trust for Historic Preservation