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Dear members of the Landmarks Commission,

I am writing to you this evening out of concern for the plans to demolish or dramatically alter the existing buildings of the 100 block on State Street. It is exactly these decisions that help define what kind of community Madison will become in the short and long term.

I came to Madison two years ago and have great admiration for the way it has balanced preserving its history while adopting to the present and planning well for the future. I have traveled to many cities and towns across the country, and chose Madison *because* of how unique it is. Another modern glass building is not the answer to sustaining the character and atmosphere seen and felt along State Street. If you choose to demolish part of the 100 block, you accept that part of Madison's unique character will be lost with those buildings. There is plenty of space beyond State Street for constructing new, modern buildings. The Block 100 Foundation's plan is simply not in Madison's best interest.

I support the Madison Trust for Historic Preservation's plan to rehabilitate the existing structures. I support this plan because I believe it is the best way to maintain the character of the 100 block of State Street, balances private and public interests, and revitalizes, not destroys, the existing buildings.

Sincerely,
Steve Gil
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