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Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2021 12:58 PM
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: [All Alders] McGrath development/Wonder Bar

Recipient: All Alders

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Message:

Please consider the wishes of the over 2000 people who have signed a petition asking that the Wonder Bar be preserved. It would be a travesty to tear down this historic piece of Madison's history.

From: betty winholtz <winholtz@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 2:03 AM

To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Wonder Bar - Madison's Prohibition Roadhouse hearing 7/26/21

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Dear Alders:

I support preserving the Wonder Bar. Do not grant a demolition permit until the Landmark Commission reviews the Wonder Bar for Landmark status. The application has been filed. This is a beautiful and unique piece of history.

Sincerely,
Betty Winholtz

From: Loriconner@charter.net <Loriconner@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 9:10 AM
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: [All Alders] Preserve the Wunderbar

Recipient: All Alders

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Message:

Please vote to preserve this historic and interesting building which is also an excellent venue for gatherings public and private. Madison will be enriched for it and will tourists appreciate it as well. We need to preserve the things that are unique and historic to retain the city's diversity and appeal. This should be a part of our long-term plan.

From: Brooke Miller <bmillier@reesgroupinc.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 12:01 PM
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Wonderbar demolition...

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Dear City of Madison Alders:

I'd like to send an email to express my vote to oppose demolition of the Wonder Bar. That building, location, and restaurant/bar itself is part of the Madison history and culture. Not only my husband and I have enjoyed it over the years, but my parents (another generation) have fond memories there too. It is for so many people a "go to place" when celebrating life (holidays, birthdays, achievements, entertaining clients, you name it!) Plus the amazing history and story around it seems so sad to even consider it to go out of business and not keep its torch going. I do understand the business side, and see some benefits of why the Coliseum bar could use something better in its place, but as long as it is not taking away such a landmark.

Saying that, I support the preservation of the Wonder Bar and I am hopeful for a new plan to build around it (incorporate it) or slightly move it to a new location for the next several generations to enjoy its wonderful spirit and history of our area.

Thank you for your time.

Kindest regards,
Brooke

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From: Jane Kolakowski <jskola9@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 12:29 PM
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Save the Wonder Bar

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I want to register my support for saving the Wonder Bar. It's iconic history and architecture represent eras of Madison's story that should not be demolished and forgotten.

Jane Kolakowski

From: mark@schemmellawllc.com <mark@schemmellawllc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 9:20 AM
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: [All Alders] Wonder Bar-Monument to Crime

Recipient: All Alders

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Message:

I would like to hear from any City Council member who is willing to explain why you would support the preservation of the Wonder Bar building.

This is a building "which has deep ties to Chicago mobsters as a Prohibition-era roadhouse" WSJ Article, 8/4. The building is essentially a monument to crime and murder. What ever nostalgia tv/movies have created for the mafia, it is a body of organized criminals whose only purpose was and is to engage in heinous crimes. These crimes include, in part, the destruction of property, the extortion of legitimate business, and the murder of countless individuals. Has this history of the Wonder Bar really been considered, and the statement it makes to preserve this structure? Have you ever been a victim of mafia related crime?

Personally, I find it incredibly offensive that such time and effort is being giving to preserving this building. Before you take action or make a vote to save this structure, you should consider what it stands for to your fellow Madisonians to some, it is an abomination, and its destruction is long over due.