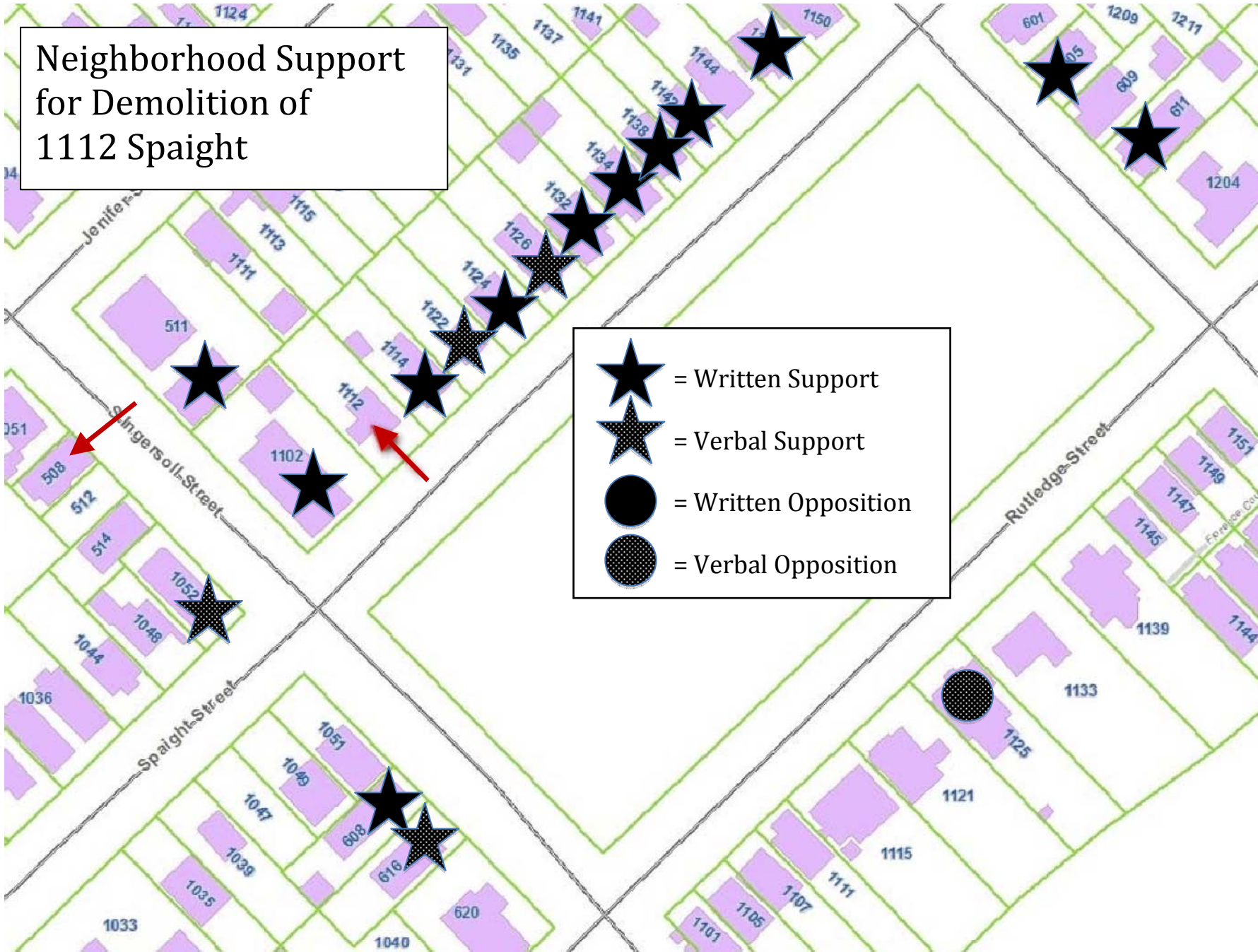


# Neighborhood Support for Demolition of 1112 Spaight



Letter of Support

August 8, 2011

To whom it may concern:

This is a letter in support of Connor and Abigail Sabatino's proposal to buy the property at 1112 Spaight St. They plan to tear down the existing house and build a new house that architecturally reflects houses in this neighborhood. We live in an historic district, however, the house next door to us is falling apart. The foundation is fieldstone that leaks, and the over all structure of the house is not very good. Architecturally, the house doesn't have any salient aspects that are worth keeping. There is no flow to the house, the rooms are tacked together. To quote one of our neighbors, "it's an eyesore!"

We hope you consider the immediate neighbors to this house would love to see a more historically architectural house built in its stead.

Thank you for your consideration,

  
Thomas Naunas and Victoria Harper

1114 Spaight St.  
255-5995

## Richard A. Slone

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Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

To: City of Madison Landmarks Commission &  
Marquette Neighborhood Association

I am writing to offer my support for the proposed demolition and new construction of a single family home for Abigail and Connor Sabatino at 1112 Spaight Street.

I have lived at 1132 Spaight Street for 28 years and my wife and son have been here for over 12 years. Over those years I served as Board President of the Willy Street Coop, started the Barrymore Theatre, served on the Schenk-Atwood Revitalization Association, City of Madison Economic Development Commission, Dane County Food Council and various other committees and commissions. I have been co-coordinator of the Willy Street Fair for 8 years and volunteered at most of the other neighborhood festivals. My wife Sally works at Guild.com on Brearly Street and has served as a judge at Art Fair on the Square, co-chair of the Lapham-Marquette PTG and my son is currently enrolled at O'Keeffe Middle School. We know virtually every person on the 1100 block of Spaight Street and most families around Orton Park. Needless to say, we are informed and involved neighbors.

I understand there is an immediate hesitation any time someone wants to tear down a home in an historic district. However, to maintain a vibrant and thriving neighborhood it is important to look at each situation individually and not have an absolute prohibition to such activity. On occasion, a property and project will present itself in such a manner that it is in the best interest of our neighborhood to offer our support. I believe that the property at 1112 Spaight Street, and the proposal by Abigail and Connor Sabatino, present us with such an opportunity.

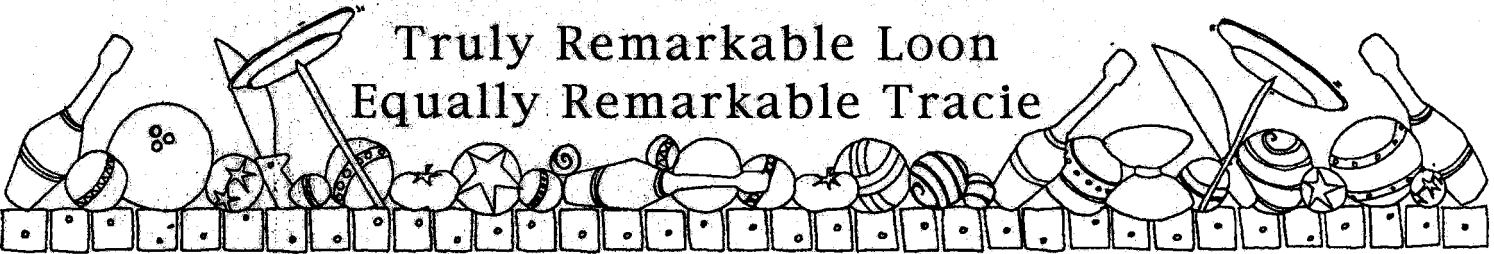
The property at 1112 Spaight Street has been in questionable condition for years, and its deterioration continues. Looking around the perimeter of Orton Park, the house stands out as the most dilapidated property in the neighborhood. Whatever historic value the home held appears to have gone. I assume that someone, somewhere could renovate this house with enough time and money. However, given the current housing market and the risk of the house further deteriorating while the "right" buyer is found is significant. I believe that a new house that is constructed in keeping with the historic character of the neighborhood would be a welcome addition to the Orton Park area.

Abigail and Connor are undertaking a serious effort to make a significant improvement to the Orton Park area and to do so in a manner consistent with the look and feel of our neighborhood. We should seize this opportunity. The two are not developers looking to make money or resell the house. They are already neighbors, living just around the corner, and wish to stay in the neighborhood to raise their family. We should be thrilled that our own neighbors are willing to make such a large investment in our neighborhood and should encourage them in their endeavor.

I ask that you offer your support to Abigail and Connor Sabatino's proposal to demolish 1112 Spaight Street and build a new home reflective of the character of our neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
  
Richard Slone



Truly Remarkable Loon  
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Marquette Neighborhood Association  
Preservation and Development Committee

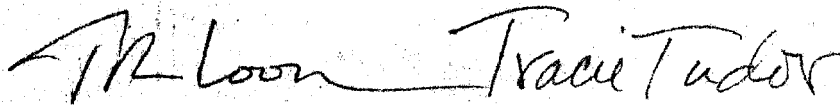
Re: 1112 Spaight Street

Dear Preservation and Development Committee:

Greetings!! This letter is to express our support of Conner and Abigail Sabatino's plan to tear down the house at 1112 Spaight Street. We support their idea of building a new home that fits into the character of our neighborhood. We look forward to weighing in again when they have a detailed plan for the new house.

In our humble opinion the current house at 1112 Spaight has no significant historical value worth preserving. The condition of the house is very poor. The neighborhood would be better served by a new and modern home whose exterior fits well into the neighborhood.

Sincerely,



Truly Remarkable Loon  
Tracie Tudor  
Homeowners and residents at 1134 Spaight



Connor Sabatino <csabatino19@gmail.com>

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## house on Spaight

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eddoyle tds.net <eddoyle@tds.net>

Mon, Aug 8, 2011 at 11:56 PM

To: csabatino19@gmail.com

Cc: abbeysabatino@gmail.com

I say yea for you. I am supportive of your effort. I am pleased that you want to fix up that house. Let's imagine it might have been a beautiful house long ago and it's fallen on hard times....I'm impressed with your willingness and, well, the whole story. I caught a glimpse of you strolling by, my youngest of six grabbed the letter from you I think. Good luck with your baby's birthday party. I'm fine to be counted as on your "side"

Eileen Doyle  
605 S. Few  
blue/grey house with red door.

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Connor Sabatino <csabatino19@gmail.com>

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## 1112 spaight

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Anna Campbell <annajcampbell@gmail.com>

Tue, Aug 16, 2011 at 12:52 PM

To: csabatino19@gmail.com

Hi Connor and Abigail Sabatino,

I got your letter last week and it finally floated to the top of my unanswered correspondence pile. I'm familiar with the Spaight street house and had thought that it was unusual in this area to see a home looking so shabby. I didn't realize that no one lived in it, but had seen that it was for sale for a long time. I live at 611 Few Street, a three unit property which I own with my son. I'd certainly be pleased to see a more attractive building on that site. We rent out two units at 611 S. Few and as a landlord I'll vouch for the fact that it is desirable to be living close to the rental units.

Best wishes in working with the P & D committee. Also best wishes to you as soon to be parents.

Anna Campbell

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Connor Sabatino <csabatino19@gmail.com>

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## Re: 1112 Spaight Street

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**Teresa Reed** <trwalden@sbcglobal.net>  
To: Connor Sabatino <csabatino19@gmail.com>  
Cc: abbeysabatino@gmail.com

Thu, Sep 1, 2011 at 4:36 PM

Hi Abbey and Connor,

At yesterday's board meeting, we displayed the pictures you sent and explained your project at 1112 Spaight Street. The Board likes the idea of removing the old house next door, but until they would see specific plans of what you would build, they cannot support you further.

I wish you well in your endeavors!

Teresa Reed  
Administrative Assistant  
Walden Homes, Ltd.  
608-251-6007  
608-251-6004 / Fax

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**From:** Connor Sabatino <csabatino19@gmail.com>  
**To:** Teresa Reed <trwalden@sbcglobal.net>  
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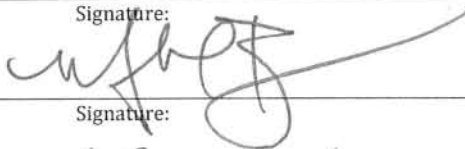


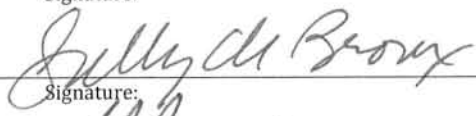
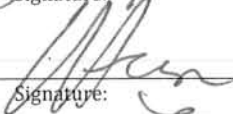
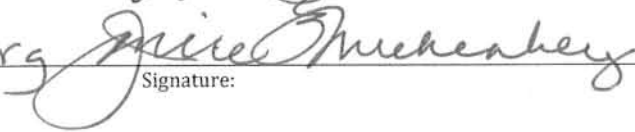
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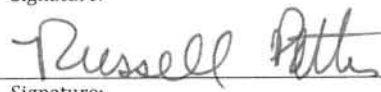
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Name: Russell Potter & Marcia Kraus	Signature: 	Street Address: 1148 Spaight St.
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