

1727 Summit Ave
Madison, WI 53726

February 1, 2011

Landmarks Commission
City of Madison

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to the Landmarks Commission in support for the proposed building of a new residence in University Heights at 209 N. Prospect by Matt and Julie Sager.

My family and I live in a [Claude and Starck](#) designed prairie style home located at 1727 Summit Ave., designed for Wayland Chase in 1908. We purchased the house from the Sagers in 2009. They resided here for several years and clearly spent considerable time, effort and expense on restoring this historic property. We feel that the Sagers updated our home with meticulous respect for its original design. In doing so, they demonstrated good stewardship of this historic neighborhood.

Having lived in this part of University Heights for almost two years, we can appreciate why the Sagers wish to return to this special neighborhood. Having reviewed their architectural plans, we are down-right excited about the addition of this aesthetically pleasing, thoughtfully designed and modest contemporary home which. The current design complements the architectural richness we enjoy in University Heights. We feel that the originality of their contemporary design is in keeping with the architectural integrity of this neighborhood and enhances its charm. We are frankly puzzled that such a sound architectural design needs review by the commission in the first place.

We also feel that it is vital for our community to continue to attract young families to University Heights to support our excellent local schools and keep the neighborhood diverse and vibrant. We look forward to the Sagers returning to our neighborhood.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tal A". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "T" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rachel and Tal Herbsman