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VIA EMAIL

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Plan Commission, City of Madison

Re: Dayton Hotel, Legistar 73121

Dear Plan Commissioners:

The Madison Trust for Historic Preservation endorses the Landmarks Commission's determination that the Reynolds Warehouse, at 617 E. Dayton St., has historic value based on its architectural significance, high degree of integrity, and relation to the history of a local company that is still in operation. Further, we support the Commission's action to place on file a previous proposal involving the demolition of the Warehouse, so that the applicant could explore integrating the historic building with the property's redevelopment.

The Madison Trust promotes the preservation of Madison's historic buildings in their historic context. We also strongly support the adaptive reuse of historic buildings, such as the Indigo Hotel's rehabilitation of the Kleuter Building and The Tinsmith's reuse of a Trachte industrial building.

As a rule, the Madison Trust opposes the demolition of buildings important to Madison's cultural and architectural history. We ask that the Commission carefully review the demolition request for the Reynolds Warehouse, to ensure that the architecturally important elements of the building are sensitively preserved.

Sincerely,

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