From: Betsy Haimson

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Mark Gehrig; Maniaci, Bridget **Subject:** 209 N. Prospect Avenue

For your consideration: the attachment contains my objections to the proposed new construction at 209 N. Prospect Avenue

Betsy Haimson 209 N. Spooner St Madison, WI 53726

Re: Objection to proposed construction at 209 N. Prospect Ave.

My name is Betsy Haimson. I live at 209 N. Spooner St, and my home is within the visually related area of the proposed construction.

I object to the proposed construction because the roof is not similar to the roof shapes and pitches on existing homes within the visually related area.

I am concerned that attention to adjacent construction addressed only the 2 houses on the south side of North Prospect Ave. I am especially dismayed that no topographical models or drawings including **all the homes** in the visually related area **as they relate to the proposed new residence** have been provided. Therefore I do not know how the new construction will impinge on my residence and residences of others in the vicinity. Particular attention needs to be paid to the home at 1712 Summit Avenue because the proposed new construction will sit closest to and in the sight lines of that home. In maintaining the relevance of the University Heights Historic Landmark designated neighborhood, we must protect our beautiful preexisting homes by honoring their character and personalities. If the new structure is sited too close to and possibly above 1712, some of its valued qualities will be sacrificed. If this happens, I believe it will diminish the value of that home and our entire historic landmark neighborhood. Therefore I object to the proposed construction at 209 N. Prospect Avenue.