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Hi Michelle,

Would you please forward this email to the members of the City Council? Thanks...Susan

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance.

As some of you know, I spent several years working for the Vigo County Historical Society to preserve and renovate the Ehrmann Manufacturing building at 929 Wabash Avenue to house the new Vigo County History Center. You know how important our local history is to me. I have also co-authored two books, *Pillars of the Community Volumes One & Two*, that highlight local historic architecture and the stories about the people who lived and/or worked in those buildings.

I know you are all aware of how many historic buildings we have lost through the years. As Fran Lattanzio and I were writing our books, we were so dismayed at, not only the demolition of historic homes, but also the renovations that rendered some homes no longer recognizable for their historic features.

I've lived in Terre Haute my whole life. I have fond memories of my father's home in the Collett Park neighborhood. I lived in the Farrington's Grove neighborhood while I was a student at ISU. And my husband, Michael, and I have owned a home on South Center Street for twenty-seven years. The historic nature of these neighborhoods, and others like them in our city, are worth protecting and those protections will make it more attractive for new homeowners to move into those neighborhoods.

Thank you for all the work you do for our city and for your vote to enact the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

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