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Dear Members of Denver City Council,

Please help preserve one of Denver's unique and historic neighborhoods by voting in favor of the proposed Packard's Hill Historic District. This is a rare opportunity to keep the "**there** there" in one pocket of the city, and to help those property owners maintain the desirability and value of their homes.

Contrary to what some opponents state, homeowners would be able to make changes and build additions. Oversight by Landmark staff/Landmark Commission would ensure that those changes would be compatible with other homes in the district, as well as provide the predictability of knowing that your neighbor won't build something out of context next to you. Studies have shown that homes in Historic Districts consistently maintain or increase in value.

Many of Denver's neighborhoods (including mine, University Park) have become nearly unrecognizable due to rapid and often out of context infill. Not many areas in Denver meet the high bar required to qualify as a Historic District, which makes this proposed Historic District even more important. Please vote "yes" and make sure the Packard's Hill historic neighborhood is preserved.

Sincerely,

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