From: Liz O"Sullivan
To: dencc - City Council
Subject: Approve Anderson House Historic Landmark Designation
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Dear City Council members,

Historic buildings are irreplaceable, whether they're outstanding public buildings, or some of the more background buildings without which the fabric of Denver's wonderful historic neighborhoods would not be complete. Although the Anderson House, at 2329 Eliot Street, may not be the Tabor Grand Opera House, the Anderson House's special contribution to the history of Denver and Colorado, and its wonderful architectural character, make it an important part of our City's heritage that should be preserved.

On Nov. 16, 2015, you will be considering the proposed historic landmark designation of the 2329 Eliot Street, the William W. Anderson House. If landmarked, it would become one of only two homes in the rapidly changing neighborhood to be preserved for their addition to the character of our city. Upon reading the research and considering the concerns of both neighbors and owner, I am asking you to help preserve the home and its history for Denver and Colorado.

Ensuring that the whole community wins is important. I am aware that the owner will not be harmed by the designation and that he has stated he will win no matter the outcome. It is also clear that offers or potential offers exist that either equal or exceed the current contract that would develop the property while saving the home. I believe that win-win solutions should be what we strive for, and there is a clear way to achieve that in this case.

With a community of many Denver residents asking you to protect this property; the knowledge that the current owner will not be harmed; the awareness that an architecturally significant home can be saved while allowing for significant development, and that the home will serve as a monument to a story that redefined Denver as a city of laws (what a story!), I am asking you to please represent our community by voting to preserve 2329 Eliot and its history as a Landmark for Jefferson Park, Denver and all of Colorado.

Thank you for your consideration and service to our city.

Sincerely,
Liz O'Sullivan