



October 24, 2019

Kelly Wemple, Chair
Denver Landmark Preservation Commission
201 W. Colfax
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Ms. Wemple

Please accept this letter of support for the historic district application for the Tilden School for Teaching Health. This small district contains only a few structures, but represents an early and interesting piece of Denver history, highlighting a lesser-known reason Denver became a popular place to live, the healthy climate.

Dr. John Henry Tilden founded the school and operated it from 1916 to 1931. He believed a healthy diet and plenty of fresh air and sunshine were the keys to good health. He incorporated the earlier Bosler House, now a restored home, as his administration building and hired prominent architect Harry Edbrooke to design the hospital structures on the adjacent lots. The Tilden School closed after the great Depression set in, and the buildings went through a series of transition uses until recently, when they were converted for residential use.

The buildings are already listed on the National Register of Historic Places, but this is an honorary designation and does not protect them from demolition. For this reason the owners in the buildings have partnered to submit this nomination, so that the structures remain related and intact for future generations.

We appreciate the efforts the owners and residents have undertaken to learn about the designation process, inform their neighbors, and prepare this application for your consideration and for the consideration of Denver City Council. It is a worthy place with special meaning for North West Denver.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annie Levinsky".

Annie Levinsky
Executive Director

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15 October 2019

Ms. Kelly Wimple, Chair
Denver Landmark Preservation Commission
Webb Municipal Building
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Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: Tilden School for Teaching Health Historic District Landmark Designation

Dear Ms. Wimple:

We are writing in enthusiastic support of the Denver Landmark application for the Tilden School for Teaching Health Historic District. In 1995 we studied the buildings and history associated with this historic property as part of a successful project to list it in the National Register of Historic Places. In the course of preparing the nomination we documented the architecture and history associated with the school, a place with an amazing story relating to the history of healthcare in Denver and with an exceptional collection of buildings. The Colorado State Review Board, composed of professionals from around the state, voted overwhelmingly in favor of forwarding it for listing.

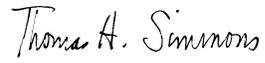
The Tilden School qualifies under all three significance criteria: A, history; B, architecture; and C, geography. As noted in the landmark application the buildings of the district are between 98 and 137 years old. Under Criterion A, the district is associated with the historical development of the city and the growth of medical sanitariums as an important sector of the local economy. The Tilden School is also associated with the national trend of private sanitariums offering innovative medical treatments. The property is strongly associated with Dr. John Henry Tilden, who founded the medical complex and developed its methods of improving people's lives.

The Tilden School is significant for its architecture displaying distinguishing characteristics of the Italianate, Classical Revival, and Craftsman styles to create medical buildings that fit in with, yet were distinguished from, the residential architecture of the neighborhood. The buildings included large porches and windows believed at the time to benefit patients by providing large doses of Colorado's bright sunshine and fresh air. The district includes buildings representing important works of master Denver architect Harry W. J. Edbrooke. The district also portrays the environment of a group of people or physical development of an area in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural type—the private medical sanitarium of the early twentieth century. The buildings are significant for the type and methods of construction displayed, which represent early twentieth century theories for patient treatment.

The Tilden School is significant for its geography, having a prominent location and constituting an established, familiar, and orienting visual feature of the contemporary city. Standing on the west side of Grove Street, just across from Highland Park, the large and distinguished brick buildings of the school contrast visually with the comparatively small houses of the area; their differences are highlighted by the landscaping of the complex. The Tilden School lends distinction to one of the important gateways into the West Highland neighborhood.

We urge you to approve and forward the application for Tilden School for Teaching Health, one of Denver's outstanding historic properties, to the City Council for designation as a Denver Landmark.

Sincerely,



Thomas H. Simmons



Rachel Laurie Simmons

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Walden Mills Group

Date: October 15, 2019

To: landmark@denvergov.org

CC: dencc@denvergov.org

From: Judy Walden, President
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3335 Quitman
Denver, CO 80212

RE: Tilden School Historic District – SUPPORT

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District. In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

As a 20-year resident of the West Highlands neighborhood, I encourage you to support this nomination. Our neighborhood continues to change rapidly, with the historic character of the neighborhood harder to identify with each passing construction season. The Tilden School not only holds a powerful story, but stands with an imposing presence. We need this Historic District. Thank you for your consideration of this nomination.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Judy Walden', written in a cursive style.

Judy Walden
President

DATE: October 5, 2019

TO: landmark@denvergov.org
CC: dence@denvergov.org

SUBJECT: Tilden School Historic District – SUPPORT

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District.

As a former board member and past president of Colorado Preservation Inc., a former staff member of History Colorado's Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation where I conducted numerous historic building surveys, and a former member of the State Historic Fund Advisory Council where I evaluated grant applications for many historic preservation projects, I am well aware of the benefits of historic district designation.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

In this case, Denver Historic District designation will ensure that the architectural integrity of the campus will be maintained and protected in the future, and will enhance property values of the surrounding neighborhood by strengthening and stabilizing the area's unique identity.

I encourage you to support this nomination.

Sincerely,



Sally Pearce
Executive Director
National Scenic Byway Foundation
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Denver, CO 80206

Date: September 27, 2019

To: Denver Landmark Commission landmark@denvergov.org

Denver City Council dencec@denvergov.org.

From: Tom Noel, Prof. of History & Director of Public History & Preservation, University of Colorado Denver

RE: Tilden School for Teaching Health Historic District Landmark Designation

I am delighted to write an enthusiastic letter of support for the Tilden School for Teaching Health Historic District in the Denver Highlands to be designated as a Denver Landmark District. The proposed district is more than 2 acres in size and consists of three distinct buildings: The Bosler-Yankee House (1882), the adjacent Patient Apartments (1916), and the Main Building, known today as the Fairview Place Lofts (1919-1921). Noted Denver architect Harry Edbrook designed both the Patient Apartments and the Main Building. The buildings are already listed on the National Register, an important, but strictly honorary designation.

In the past, I have admired the Tilden School campus while having my CU-Denver Historic Preservation Class visit the Bosler-Yankee house now owned by Steve and Jan Davis. It pleases me to anticipate that the entire campus with its handsome buildings and landscaped grounds could soon be protected from inappropriate development through this designation. Landmarking a property of this size and caliber will also enhance and stabilize the property values of this unique Denver neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

From: [Marilyn Quinn](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I support the nomination of the Tilden School of Teaching Health Historic District
Date: Friday, September 27, 2019 1:26:23 PM

To the members of the Denver Landmark Commission:

I am a former owner at the Fairview Place Lofts and am writing to support the nomination of the proposed Tilden School historic district.

This group of buildings has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century. In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments.

I encourage you to support this nomination.

Marilyn Quinn

From: [Betty Luce](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: denc@denvergov.org
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Tilden School Historic District - SUPPORT
Date: Friday, September 27, 2019 3:35:51 PM

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments.

As a Realtor for the past 20 years in North Denver, I am well aware of the importance of neighborhood context, and the value of properties such as the Tilden School to the fabric of the neighborhood. A large part of the charm of our North Denver neighborhoods can be attributed to well-known neighborhood landmarks such as is the Tilden School. Dr. Tilden and his application of theories of healthful diet, exercise and mental health would be right in tune with today's growing emphasis on holistic living and complimentary medicine practices. And Dr. Tilden didn't have a Sprouts, Natural Grocers or Whole Foods nearby. I have sold several condos in the building as it exists now, and I can say without reservation that the building is owned and maintained by a group of people who are committed to its upkeep and preservation. The building is in great shape!

The Tilden School building has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

I encourage you to support this nomination.

Thank you,

Betty Luce
Broker Associate
Nostalgic Homes Group|Compass
Cell: 303-478-8618

From: [Marie and Doug Edgar](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019 1:54:06 PM

To Landmark Preservation Commission Staff,

I am writing in support of the designation of the Tilden School for Teaching Health as an Historic District.

Please vote in favor of this nomination. Its designation would be an appropriate way to show respect and appreciation for the Tilden School buildings' long service to the North Denver community.

In the early years of the 20th century the Tilden School offered furnished apartments for its patients, from around the world. They came to learn how to take care of themselves and practice the Tilden techniques for healthy living. As many patients stayed for extended periods of time, the school's architecture and grounds were designed like a residential apartment complex as opposed to a traditional medical facility.

In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.
Thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

Marie Giedraitis-Edgar
edgardm1@msn.com

From: [Jane Daniels](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Tilden School Historic District – SUPPORT
Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019 6:10:34 AM

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

I encourage you to support this nomination.

Thank you!
Jane Daniels

From: [Historic Berkeley Regis](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for the Tilden School Historic District Nomination
Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019 2:30:04 PM

To Landmark Preservation Commission Staff,

Historic Berkeley Regis (HBR) supports the designation. as an Historic District, of the Tilden School for Teaching Health.

HBR is a grass roots neighborhood group with a mission to study the history architecture and landscapes of our North Denver neighborhoods. Our mission includes education and advocacy, supporting the preservation of our area's significant historic resources and its special sense of place.

Please vote in favor of this nomination. Its designation would be an appropriate way to show respect and appreciation for the Tilden School buildings' long service to the North Denver community.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world including Canada, Great Britain and Australia. It offered furnished apartments for its patients as they learned the Tilden techniques for healthy living. As many patients stayed for extended periods of time, the school's architecture and grounds were designed to invoke an ambiance of a residential apartment complex.

We appreciate that these properties have remained a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century. The Tilden School buildings are very deserving of recognition for their contribution to Denver's history.

Thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

Historic Berkeley Regis
www.historicberkeleyregis.wordpress.com

From: [Amy Cole](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support letter for Tilden School Landmark District nomination
Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019 7:38:23 PM

Greetings:

I am writing in support of the forthcoming Denver Landmark Historic District nomination for the Tilden School for Teaching Health.

The Tilden School nomination includes three buildings that are located on two acres just west of Highland Park on Grove Street and Fairview Place. These buildings are already listed in the National Register of Historic Places, which is an important, but honorary designation. Designation by the City of Denver will ensure that the architectural integrity of the campus will be maintained and protected in the future, and will enhance property values of the surrounding neighborhood by strengthening and stabilizing the area's unique identity.

The school operated from 1916-1931 to teach patients the practices of Dr. Tilden and the architecture reflects that institutional use, including patient, administration and clinical spaces. The buildings, designed by noted architect Henry Edbrooke who also designed Denver's Bluebird and Ogden Theaters and the Gas and Electric Building, have retained integrity, though uses have changed in the years since 1931.

As a neighbor who lives about six blocks away, I frequently walk past the properties and believe they make a significant and unique contribution to the history and architecture of West Highlands and should be recognized as Denver Landmark Historic District.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Amy Cole

From: egeniewhee@aol.com
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 2:33:27 PM

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and I urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth J. Wheeler

From: [rosemary stoffel](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#); [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Tilden School for Teaching Health
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 5:12:33 PM

To: Denver Landmark Preservation Committee members

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

The school was prominent in the early 20th century as private residential teaching institution and sanitarium that offered patients an alternative to the standard medical practices of the day. The buildings are already on the National Register of Historic Places, and Denver historic landmark designation ensures that the architectural integrity of the campus will be maintained and protected in the future. In addition, it will help enhance property values of the surrounding neighborhood by strengthening and stabilizing the area's unique identity.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Rosemary Stoffel, Preservation Advocate

From: [Mark Barnhouse](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 5:29:18 PM

Dear Landmark Commissioners,

I urge you to support the proposed landmark district encompassing the former buildings of the Tilden School for Teaching Health in West Highland. It is eligible because the site fulfills all three of the criteria for designation. It is architecturally significant, the work of Harry W.J. Edbrooke. It is a recognizable landmark, forming the western “wall” of Highland Park. And it is historically significant for its connection to Dr. John Henry Tilden, who had a national following in the early part of the 20th century. Not only did patients come to the school from all over the country, but his magazine, *Philosophy of Health* (I have a copy in my collection, if you are interested in seeing it) had nationwide circulation. It is also emblematic of Denver’s one-time status as a health Mecca—it’s not a tuberculosis sanitarium, like the long-lost Oakes Home on 32nd & Decatur, or the long-lost Agnes Phipps Memorial Sanitarium at 6th & Quebec, but it is a survivor of the period when Denver was thought of as a place for people to recover their health. Tilden’s teachings were controversial, and probably scientifically fallacious, but that does not change the campus’s importance to Denver’s “health story.”

I am a near neighbor—I can see the building now called Fairview Place Condominiums from my back porch, and I have walked past the buildings thousands of times in my eighteen years of living at this address.

I am also a historian, the author of six published books on Denver historical subjects (with a seventh, *A History Lover’s Guide to Denver*, forthcoming next spring). In my second book, *Northwest Denver*, I wrote about the Tilden School on pages 57, 62 and 63.

Best regards,

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From: jackieyoungblood
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#); [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 10:11:28 PM

September 29, 2019

TO: landmark@denvergov.org

SUBJECT: SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination

Dear Landmark Commission:

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and I urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

It is a beautiful building. I make a point of showing it off to visiting company. My uncle, Alvin Columbus Monroe Youngblood (Uncle Buck) was a resident at one time.

Thank you for your support.

Jacalyn Youngblood
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Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [Steve Kite](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Monday, September 30, 2019 11:38:15 AM

Commissioners:

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and I urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments.

It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

Thank you for your support.

Steve Kite/Carla Huston
4001 W 30th Ave

From: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
To: [Hahn, Kara L. - CPD City Planner Principal](#); [Cappeto, Jennifer E. - CPD City Planning Manager](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Wednesday, October 02, 2019 10:20:40 AM

From: Marie Benedix <marie.benedix@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 7:26 AM
To: Landmark - Community Planning and Development <Landmark@denvergov.org>
Cc: dencc - City Council <dencc@denvergov.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT for the Tilden School Historic District nomination

Dear Sir, Madam,

I am writing to support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and I urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

The Tilden School is a unique piece of North Denver history and an important part of the tapestry that makes Denver a special place, with its very own unique history. It's also a key part of the historic character that makes the area near the small Highland Park so special.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

Thank you for your support.

Marie Benedix

3284 Osceola St

Denver, CO 80212

From: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
To: [Hahn, Kara L. - CPD City Planner Principal](#); [Buddenborg, Jennifer L. - CPD City Planner Senior](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Tilden School Historic District nomination - SUPPORT
Date: Wednesday, October 02, 2019 10:21:10 AM

From: Trevor Greco <trevgreco@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 7:35 AM
To: Landmark - Community Planning and Development <Landmark@denvergov.org>
Cc: denc - City Council <denc@denvergov.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Tilden School Historic District nomination - SUPPORT

To whom it may concern:

I support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

In the early years of the 20th century, the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. At its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home, and is now a private home, condominiums and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century, and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history.

Thank you for your support.

Trevor Greco 3284 Osceola Street

Denver, CO 80212

From: [Jamie Parrish](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [Jamie Chesser \(me\)](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for the Tilden School Historic District Nomination
Date: Friday, October 04, 2019 9:15:17 AM

Dear Sir, Madam,

I am writing today to show my strong support for the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and I urge you to vote in favor of this nomination.

The Tilden School is a unique piece of North Denver history and an essential part of the tapestry that makes Denver a special place, with its very own unique history. It's also a vital part of the historic character that makes the area near the small Highland Park so unique.

It is my understanding in talking with preservationists and neighbors in this area that in the early years of the 20th century the Tilden School attracted patients from across the country and around the world. I have also learned that at its peak, it housed eighty-five patients with a staff of thirty employees. It offered patients a healthy climate and living environment in which to learn to care for their health without surgery or drugs. In later years it has served as a rehabilitation facility and a group home and is now a private home, condominiums, and apartments. It has been a stabilizing force in North Denver for over a century and is deserving of recognition for its contribution to Denver's history. My family and I have conversed with many of the residents of the Tilden School, and all have been just lovely to speak with, especially on the topics of our country's history.

Thank you for your support.

Jamie Chesser

4307 Tejon Street

Denver, CO 80211

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

-Margaret Mead

From: [Linda Paulsen](#)
To: [Landmark - Community Planning and Development](#)
Cc: [dencc - City Council](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT Tilden School Historic District nomination
Date: Sunday, October 06, 2019 8:17:58 PM

Dear Sir, Madam,

As a long time resident of the West Highlands neighborhood, I have often appreciated the group of buildings that constitute the old Tilden School. What a significant architectural treasure we have in the Edbrooke designed school and related buildings now preserved as condominiums, apartments, and a private home.

I heartily support the nomination of the Tilden School for Teaching Health to be a Denver Historic District, and hope you will vote in favor of this nomination.

Thank you for your support,

Linda Paulsen
3421 Newton St.
Denver, 80211

Stettner Letter of Support for Tilden School for Teaching Health Historic District
November 4, 2019

This is a letter in support of designating the Tilden School for Teaching Health as a Historic District.

I am a member of the Stettner family, owners of a condominium in the Main Building of the Tilden School District, known in the neighborhood as Fairview Lofts. As the current chair of the Steamboat Springs Historic Preservation Commission (where I live full time) and past President/ longtime board member of Colorado Preservation Inc. I am keenly aware of the financial benefits and prestige brought by historic landmark designation. After we purchased the Fairview Lofts condo in 2014, I became aware of the rich history of the building, the Tilden School, and the neighborhood. The challenges with the Bosler House, already a Denver Landmark, were being resolved, and as new neighbors, we were thrilled to see the building saved and restored.

Inspired by rescue of the Bosler house and the fact that 2019 is the Centennial of the Harry Edbrook designed Fairview Lofts building, a group of Fairview Loft owners and neighbors launched the effort designate our building as a Denver Landmark. The nomination was first discussed at the 2017 Fairview Lofts Annual Meeting, again at the 2018 Annual Meeting, and at numerous board meetings in between. No one voiced any opposition. We have sent fliers to the owners about the project and sent them the Wikipedia link (not to overwhelm them with the entire document) so they know about the history of the property.

For nearly a year our team, Paul Cloyd, Joan Bolduc, Marilyn Quinn, Fran Trujillo, and I, researched and prepared the Fairview Lofts nomination and were prepared to submit it to Denver Landmarks last November. Then it was suggested to expand the designation to be a Historic District and to include the rest of the original Tilden School Campus: the Bosler House, the adjoining 1916 Patient Apartments, and the current Heather Grove Veterans Home. Regrettably, the Veterans Home owners did not wish to participate, but we hope they will do so in the future.

The nomination for the district was submitted and reviewed by the Landmarks staff earlier this year, slightly revised, and deemed ready for review by the Commission in September. Landmarks staff scheduled a public meeting to discuss the nomination at the Woodbury Library several weeks ago. City Council member Amanda Sandoval attended, as well as Landmarks and Planning department staff. The Fairview Board, Steve and Jan Davis, owners of the Bosler House, and a half dozen Fairview owners were there as well. Good questions, and NO opposition. Four of the original condo owners who have lived there since 1996 (when the building was converted into condominiums) are very supportive of the nomination. The current HOA board has endorsed the effort as well.

Thank you for your considering the Landmark Designation of this important part of Denver's history.

Sincerely,

Arianthé C. Stettner, MBA, MAHP
Trustee, on behalf of the Stettner Living Trust, Unit #205
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