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Alderman Brendan Reilly
City Hall
121 N. LaSalle Street, Room 300
Chicago, IL 60602

RE: SOAR Support of Landmarking 212 E. Ontario and 222 E. Ontario

Dear Alderman Reilly,

The Board of the Streeeterville Organization of Active Residents (SOAR) voted to support the preservation and landmarking of 212 E. Ontario and 222 E. Ontario.

These two historic Streeeterville buildings are part of the Near North Multiple Property District that are proposed as a new Historic Preservation District.

SOAR supports preservation of our early historical buildings as they add the character and sense of place as well as a link to the history of the Streeeterville neighborhood and what was here before us. These two buildings from the 1800s are some of the last buildings of this style and character in the area and we hope to see them preserved.

Please let us know if there is anything additional you need from SOAR in support of this proposed landmarking. Thank you for all you do to support the Streeeterville neighborhood. We appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Deborah Gershbein
SOAR, President

Judy Aiello-Fantus
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Cc: Matt Crawford, City of Chicago Planning Dept, Landmarks Division
Lisa DiChiera, Landmarks Illinois
Ward Miller, Preservation Chicago

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