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**Subject:** Written Delegation for 537 King Street East at November 2nd Planning Committee

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Good evening,

The following is a request from myself, a concerned member of the community to have 537 King Street East added to the Heritage Register.

This home was built in 1890's and has many ornate terracotta features. The exterior of the home appears to remain intact and appears to be original. It also features a decorative representative turret and resembles the style of some of the heritage homes in the Durand neighbourhood. This home displays strong contextual value and could be a neighbourhood landmark given its association with the Rebel Rock Pub in that area.

Ward 3 has few protected heritage properties and many other significant buildings are facing demolition and neglect including St. Giles and the many LRT buildings to be demolished. 537 King Street East would be a strong candidate for protection as there is not another one like it. This is a defining home in the area and is a unique style while displaying strong craftsmanship. I would really like to see it integrated into a future development. Myself and many other community members are concerned about the future of this landmark in Ward 3.

Please consider adding this home to the Heritage Register as seeing it demolished would be a loss to the community.

Regards,

Devyn