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Good Evening Commissioner -

If you will recall, this case was last on the December 10<sup>th</sup> agenda and was postponed at the request of Staff.

We want to make you aware that we brought legal issues relating to process and procedure involving the notification and filing of an application for the historic designation of this property to City Staff's attention in early December. Yesterday, we received a response from City Staff that they believe process and procedure was followed appropriately. We adamantly disagree and stand by our concerns for the legality of action taken by the Historic Landmark Commission to rezone this property without procedures being followed. Admittedly, the City has been inconsistent in applying said procedures for some time. Even so, the code has notification requirements to provide fair notice to people within 500 feet and especially to the property owner of significant action to be taken on a property. The rezoning of a property is a substantial and significant action to take and should be taken seriously as the impacts of a rezoning are substantial regardless of one's perception of those impacts being helpful or detrimental.

Separately, we are requesting a postponement at this time as the majority property Owner, Rose Rubio, is dealing with an extremely significant and fragile family emergency. As such, Rose and her immediate family cannot attend the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> and have requested that a postponement be granted so that they can be with their family at this time.

We respectfully ask for your compassion for the Rubio Family at this time and your support for a postponement.

We are available if you have any questions at this time. Thank you,

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