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Councilman Derezinski Ann Arbor City Hall 100 N. 5th Ave Ann Arbor MI 48107

Dear Councilman:

I am writing in support of the proposed rezoning of lots on Block 2 of J.D. Baldwin's Eastern Addition to the City of Ann Arbor to R1C. This rezoning will restore the right to build a house on each lot, which was the situation that existed from 1856, when the plat was approved by the city council, until the present ordinance was adopted. Nearly all of the houses in the area were built before the present restriction was enacted. What is bad about them?

Prior to the present 1963 ordinance, there was only one single family district and it only required a lot area of 5000 sq. ft. But it did not protect homeowners from invasion of the remaining lots nearby by people of lesser means. The creation of 3 different zones for the same uses looks a lot like pure snobbery. It is true that there may be places where larger lots are required because topography of providing services such as water, sewers, and road access, there is no indication that any such problem exists in our neighborhood even though there is an area along the west end of the block that by zoning changes or other means contains developed properties with houses on much smaller parcels.

Very truly yours,