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Andrea,

thank you for sharing NLC's plans for the changes at 1547 Washtenaw Ave.

We are pleased to see your respect for the historic designation of the property, and are looking forward to your improvements.

Making room for more parking at the back of your property leaves fewer cars on the front driveway and will make possible the beautiful landscaped entrance from Washtenaw that you are envisioning. We are already admiring all the work you have put into making the yard look great, and we can not wait to contribute a few Hydrangea bushes from our garden.

On our visits to your house - seeing every one walking around on socks to save the Oak floor, we realized how concerned you are to maintain the historic character of the inside of the Wilgus/Shepherd/Bookstein home. Previous teams had done a lot of damage that you are now working on repairing (we remember you retrieving cup board doors and door panels from under bushes and in the basement).

As your immediate neighbors, we have no objection to the Exemption you are seeking.

We feel that having some office space , as well as a family living in the house will be preferable to us, and not a burden on the neighborhood.

Bob and Holde

Borcherts

1555 Washtenaw Ave