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MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

February 26, 2019

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Re:

Demolition of the brick building

at 98-100 Broadway

Determined Significant: 2/19/2019

Sirs,

On Tuesday, February 19, 2019, the Historic Preservation Commission voted unanimously (7-0) to determine the c. 1915 brick building at 98-100 Broadway 'Significant' because the building, per Section 2.17.B of the Demolition Review Ordinance 2003-05, is "at least 50 years old, and is or has been determined by the Commission to be a significant building or structure after a finding that the building or structure is either:

- i. "Importantly associated with one or more historic persons or events, or with the broad architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the City or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or
- "Historically or architecturally significant (in terms of period, style, method of building ii. construction, or association with a reputed architect or builder) either by itself or in the context of a group of buildings or structures, and therefore it is in the public interest to be preserved or rehabilitated rather than to be demolished."

The subject building is not found importantly associated with the broad architectural, cultural, economic and social history of the City.

The subject building is found architecturally significant for its brickwork on the Cutter Street elevation of the building.

The Commission will hold a public hearing on March 19, 2019 to review the initial determination of 'Significance' and if the buildings should be 'Preferably Preserved.' Per Section 4.2.D, "If the Commission determines that the demolition of the significant building or structure would be detrimental to the architectural, cultural, political, economic, or social heritage of the City, such building or structure shall be considered preferably preserved." Public testimony will be taken at the hearing, followed by a discussion and a vote by the Commission.



Date: February 26, 2019 Case: HPC 2019.002 Site: 98-100 Broadway

Please remit a check made out to the City of Somerville of \$135.00 to cover the cost of the Legal Notice of the Public Hearing for two weeks in the newspaper and given to Historic Preservation Staff. If you have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at (617) 625-6600 x 2525.

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