

## Wagner, David B

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**From:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 3:46 PM  
**To:** Ott, Stephen; Wagner, David B  
**Cc:** Haberman, Joseph E  
**Subject:** email comments  
**Attachments:** SKMBT\_65216112216440.pdf

Hi Stephen and David,

We have a packet of email comments for the LM case. They are attached. Please distribute to MC members.

Thanks,  
Cynthia



Cynthia E. Johnson Elmore  
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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 22, 2016 10:30 AM  
**To:** Ford, Will F  
**Cc:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: Landmark decision:

Can you respond to this person and cc me?

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov) [mailto:[mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov)] On Behalf Of [ewahl32@aol.com](mailto:ewahl32@aol.com)  
**Sent:** Monday, November 21, 2016 8:41 PM  
**To:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Subject:** : Landmark decision:

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on November 21, 2016 - 8:41pm

Your Email Address:  
[ewahl32@aol.com](mailto:ewahl32@aol.com)

Your Subject:  
Landmark decision

Your Comment:

I have been following the story about the family who bought a house in the Highlands which turned out to require more work than could be afforded. The mom grew up in the neighborhood and wants her children to do the same. It seems fair to me that this family should be able to build a home in that location and I would like to request that the decision by the Landmark council be overturned. Sometimes houses that appear to be historic can no longer be saved. Please let this family start their life in the neighborhood they love in a safe house

Choose a Topic:  
Permits, Applications & Licensing

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Ford, Will F  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2016 9:13 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: Tremont House 40205:

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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**From:** [mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov) [[mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov)] on behalf of [lsnyder@centurylending.net](mailto:lsnyder@centurylending.net) [[lsnyder@centurylending.net](mailto:lsnyder@centurylending.net)]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2016 5:12 PM  
**To:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Subject:** : Tremont House 40205:

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on September 16, 2016 - 5:12pm

Your Email Address:  
[lsnyder@centurylending.net](mailto:lsnyder@centurylending.net)

Your Subject:  
Tremont House 40205

Your Comment:

It's my understanding that Metro Council will have a vote on the fate of this residence. Please do the right thing and uphold the property rights of the home owners. They purchased the home legally. The home was not a historic landmark when they purchased. Please do not use tax payer dollars to bring this home up to code. It's my understanding the owners want to build a new home, not a strip mall or night club. Do the right thing and let the home owners build a home on the land they own and purchased legally.

Choose a Topic:  
Community Development

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Ford, Will F  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 11:43 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: 2833 Tremont Dr.:

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wethington, Jessica  
Sent: Monday, October 10, 2016 10:34 AM  
To: Ford, Will F  
Subject: FW: 2833 Tremont Dr.:

And the same with this one?

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: [mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov) [mailto:[mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov)] On Behalf Of [p.driggs64@twc.com](mailto:p.driggs64@twc.com)  
Sent: Saturday, October 8, 2016 7:23 PM  
To: Wethington, Jessica  
Subject: : 2833 Tremont Dr.:

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on October 8, 2016 - 7:22pm

Your Email Address:  
[p.driggs64@twc.com](mailto:p.driggs64@twc.com)

Your Subject:  
2833 Tremont Dr.

Your Comment:

I urge the metro council to overturn the Landmarks Comm. designation for the property owned by Dr. and Mrs. Clifford at 2833 Tremont Dr. Thank you for your consideration.

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Ford, Will F  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 11:42 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: House on Tremont drive:

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Will Ford  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 10:33 AM  
**To:** Ford, Will F  
**Subject:** FW: House on Tremont drive:

Can you pass this along to Cynthia and respond to this person with a cc to me?

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov) [mailto:[mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov)] On Behalf Of [Mabob35@email.com](mailto:Mabob35@email.com)  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 8, 2016 10:49 AM  
**To:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Subject:** : House on Tremont drive:

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on October 8, 2016 - 10:49am

Your Email Address:

[Mabob35@email.com](mailto:Mabob35@email.com)

Your Subject:

House on Tremont drive

Your Comment:

Please vote to reverse landmark decision on this s home being considered for demolition. The Cliffords have the right to do what they want with their purchased property. The house is old, not historic. We are neighbors on Tremont and did not sign the petition to preserve the house. Please vote to do what's right for these people.

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Ford, Will F  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2016 11:42 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: Planning & Design: Tremont

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 08, 2016 8:22 AM  
**To:** Ford, Will F  
**Subject:** Planning & Design: Tremont

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on October 8, 2016 - 8:22am

Your Email Address:  
[bruceinlouisville@gmail.com](mailto:bruceinlouisville@gmail.com)

Your Subject:  
Tremont

Your Comment:

Homeowners make a compelling case in their editorial today. If you based your designation on faulty research and misidentified history, then you need to reverse your decision.

Choose a Department:  
Planning & Design

Department Email:  
[will.ford@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:will.ford@louisvilleky.gov)

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2016 11:03 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Cc:** Ford, Will F  
**Subject:** FW: Landmarks Commission, 2833 Tremont Drive:

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Here's one for the Tremont case file.

-----Original Message-----

From: [mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov) [mailto:[mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:mtsappteam@louisvilleky.gov)] On Behalf Of [donpowell65@yahoo.com](mailto:donpowell65@yahoo.com)  
Sent: Sunday, October 16, 2016 5:00 PM  
To: Wethington, Jessica  
Subject: : Landmarks Commission, 2833 Tremont Drive:

Submission:

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on October 16, 2016 - 4:59pm

Your Email Address:  
[donpowell65@yahoo.com](mailto:donpowell65@yahoo.com)

Your Subject:  
Landmarks Commission, 2833 Tremont Drive

Your Comment:

I fully support Sean and Genny Clifford in their effort to demolish the house at 2833 Tremont Dr. The actions of this commission in the after the fact designation are heavy handed and completely unfair. Does the commission plan on bankrupting them as they did the owner of Ginny's Dinner?

Don Powell

Choose a Topic:  
City Planning & Zoning

**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** ATT <jpbecht@att.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 13, 2016 9:33 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive Louisville, Ky 40205

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Dear Cynthia: I will not be able to attend the morning hearing on September 15th but I do hope this property will be saved. I believe it has historical value and more time should be given to study its origins and inhabitants and their contribution to the area. So many questions about this property are still unanswered and to demolish the house and divide the grounds, when its story has not yet been told, just seems wrong. Thank you for your hard work on this project. Sincerely, Carol Becht



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** tonywcissell@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 12, 2016 11:32 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive  
**Attachments:** 2003 Upper Highlands Newsletter Article.pdf

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I support designating 2833 Tremont Drive a local landmark. The historic house has been important to the neighborhood for a long time. I've attached a 2003 article about it that appeared in our neighborhood newsletter. Since 2010 it has been featured in a history display at our annual neighborhood summer festival.

As the article indicates, the house has many original features. It cannot be replaced. It is an important part of this neighborhood.

Thank you,  
Tony Cissell  
Gladstone Avenue

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A publication of the  
Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association

March 2003



## Historical home has interesting past

The UHNA area has several historical homes. Here's a look at one of them:

### Kalorama

2833 Tremont Drive

It doesn't take much to imagine how stately this home, now owned by John and Kitty Urton, must have looked when it was built about 1840 by a Dr. Powell. Soon after that it became the home of Benjamin Bosworth Smith (1784-1884), the first Episcopal bishop of Kentucky, and an early state superintendent of public schools, and his wife, Elizabeth. The Smiths left Louisville in the 1860s for New York when he became Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the U.S.

The Smiths named their home Kalorama, and established a school for girls there.

The house has retained much of its original glass, and features a hallway that runs straight through the home. Over the years, several

## Join Mayor's first Community Conversation

Join Metro Mayor Jerry Abramson for his first Community Conversation 6:30 - 8 p.m. Monday, March 17 at the Central Government Center, 7201 Outer Loop.

Representatives of many metro government agencies will be on hand to answer questions and address citizens' concerns.

For more information, contact MetroCall at 574-5000 or 311.

owners have done little to change the layout, other than adding bathrooms and turning a music room into the kitchen. Where slave quarters and an earlier kitchen were once in the basement, now there's a family room.

The Urtons moved into the house, which then sat on two acres, in 1964. There was a stable, and the family had a pony for a while. In 1972 they added a large swimming pool.

John can remember as a child playing on the property before the houses along Tyler Lane were built.

Another interesting aspect of the home's history involves a small chapel that has not only survived well over 100 years, but has moved around the Louisville area.

Perhaps to gain some quiet after establishing the school, Bishop Smith had a small study built near the house. The 7 1/2-by-10-foot structure with gingerbread trim was decorated inside by an itinerant painter with scenes of English churches and cathedrals.

The Smiths sold Kalorama to Theodore Harris, and his daughter,

Sunshine, used the study as a playhouse. About 1910, Sunshine — by then Mrs. Thruston Ballard — bought the chapel and had it moved to her home, Lansdowne, on Upper River Road. There it was used by ice skaters to warm up after skating on a nearby pond.

About 1928, Mrs. Ballard gave the chapel to Mrs. J.B. Speed, and it was moved to the Speed Art Museum grounds. When the museum needed room to expand about 1960, the study was donated to the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky and moved to St. Francis in the Fields in Harrods Creek, where it remains today. Recently church officials said the chapel would become the focal point of a meditative garden.



## UHNA yard sales set for June

Start cleaning out closets and collecting items for another round of UHNA-area yard sales. Several residents who didn't have a chance to participate in last April's sale — and some who didn't clear out as much stuff as they hoped to — asked the association to host another day of sales next April. And the board agreed.

Our tentative date is Saturday, June 14. Watch the June *Communicator* for more information.

UHNA will again place ads in local newspapers. Sellers are asked to handle the promotion of their own sales by posting signs that direct shoppers to their homes and removing the signs at the end of the day.

For more information, call Tammy Keenan, 459-0037.

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Marty <mwbond@maine.rr.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 08, 2016 7:22 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I fully support saving 2833 Tremont Drive. Thank you, Marty Bond

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Chris Harrell <Harrell@lazarusllc.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 14, 2016 4:55 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont -

Ms. Cynthia Johnson,

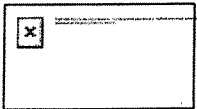
RE:

Request of Individual Local Landmark Petition **16DESGNATION1000**  
Project Name: Powell-Smith House Designation Request  
Location: 2833 Tremont Dr.  
Jurisdiction: Louisville Metro Council  
District: 8 -Tom Owen Case Manager: Cynthia Johnson

I write in strong support of Petitioner's request for Local Landmark Designation of the Powell-Smith House.

The detailed and spirited work of the citizens has demonstrated that indeed this historic home is the home of Benjamin Bosworth Smith, 1st Episcopal Bishop of Kentucky. The home was also a school under the Bishop's efforts, and its historic significance has been thoroughly established by the records the Petitioner has provided / will provide in the Thursday, September 15, 2016 hearing. This is exactly the type of undisputable historic structure that the Local Landmark Designation process was created to protect.

Please issue the Local Landmark Designation for this home and the accessory structure.



Chris Harrell, Principal & Director of Redevelopment | 502.298.2832 (m) | [Harrell@LazarusLLC.com](mailto:Harrell@LazarusLLC.com)

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**Johnson, Cynthia E**

**From:** Ford, Will F  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2016 9:13 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** FW: Tremont House 40205:

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**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2016 5:12 PM  
**To:** Wethington, Jessica  
**Subject:** : Tremont House 40205:

**Submission:**

Submitted by Anonymous (not verified) on September 16, 2016 - 5:12pm

**Your Email Address:**  
[lsnyder@centurylending.net](mailto:lsnyder@centurylending.net)

**Your Subject:**  
Tremont House 40205

**Your Comment:**

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 13, 2016 9:33 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive Louisville, Ky 40205

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Marty <mwbond@maine.rr.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 10, 2016 11:05 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

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**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Cynthia Cooke <cynthia.cooke@bashfordmanor.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 09, 2016 4:58 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save the neighborhood

Let's keep this building! What the heck!! Adds character, green space, historical identification, value, sustainability, maintains cultural ties, provides relevance to the area and relationship to historical neighbors, etc.

I kinda fail to sympathize with this couples inability to work with the home.

Best,  
Cynthia



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**Sent:** Thursday, September 08, 2016 7:22 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

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I fully support saving 2833 Tremont Drive. Thank you, Marty Bond

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Catherine Schoenbaechler <feathertoppharmd@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 18, 2016 6:46 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont house

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

We want this house to be designated as a local landmark! Please don't demolish it!  
Cathy and David Schoenbachler

## **Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Mcdermott, Susan M <susan.mcdermott@jefferson.kyschools.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 17, 2016 5:54 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Local Landmark

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

I am in support of saving 2833 Tremont from demolition. It is a neighborhood treasure.

Thanks,  
Susan McDermott

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** ATT <jpbecht@att.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 17, 2016 9:34 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive Louisville

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Cynthia: Thank you for the card reminding me of the date of the hearing regarding the Tremont House. It doesn't look like I will be able to come to the meeting, but I do want to express again why I feel this house should not be demolished. This area is rich in Kentucky history. Lewis and Clark's expedition took them to a house off Dundee Rd., Spring Garden Drive, where they stayed. The original house has been encased and built around to make it a larger and beautiful home now. The house in Hayfield behind Atherton has been restored but keeps it's old charm and fits beautifully in the surrounding neighborhood. Of course, there is the Hayfield School building, there is Fondevera on Gardiner Lane that the Drexler family restored. There is the Hikes Lane house, where relatives of the Hikes brothers still live. There is of course Farmington, which has been squeezed into its present acreage, but thank goodness a few years ago, tearing down the barn and allowing Sullivan to purchase the area for more parking was stopped. (Maybe you had a hand in that.) There is a beautiful bed and breakfast on Bashford Manor Lane, which I read a couple of years ago, was for sale, and I don't know the outcome of that.

The tearing down of the Carriage House at the Bashford Manor horse farm was so sad. The manor house had long been gone, but the carriage house still held businesses, until they had to vacate, then it came down. The plaques and seating areas are nice, but considering this farm produced Kentucky Derby winners, this area should have been given more thought and respect.

If the Tremont House could be saved, perhaps it could become a community meeting place and green space supported in part by the neighborhood.

Thank you again for your work in saving this house. Sincerely, Carol Becht

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** srstottman@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 16, 2016 5:30 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E

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please save the home at 2833 Tremont Dr. Louisville, Ky 40205 as a local Landmark!

I grew up in this neighborhood just a few blocks around the corner on Gladstone and my mother still lives there. This house has so much history in it and the area is beautiful too. It sets a statement for the neighborhood right along with all the other beautiful homes right around the corner on Tyler Lane. It would be a shame to destroy this beautiful old home with so much history. SAVE THIS HOME PLEASE!!!

Sincerely  
Susan R Stottman

**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Deanna O'Daniel <dodselfseek@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 16, 2016 3:36 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Landmark this historic house on Tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

I just received this request today. Please ass it to the list of those that want to save this house and land.

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Deanna O'Daniel, CHT

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Janey Jennings <Janey@Firstky.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 16, 2016 9:42 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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This email is being sent to support saving this historical landmark from demolition. I support saving this house. Thanks!

Janey Jennings  
Certified Financial Planner™  
Vice President – Investments  
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**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** tomevans813@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 16, 2016 8:01 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont dr.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I'm against tearing down the historical house. I live around the corner on Tyler lane.

Thank you,

Tom Evans

2047 Tyler lane

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** michelle@lonered.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 10:19 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr.

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Ms. Johnson,

I live on Tyler Lane less than a block from the Tremont property that is being considered for historic preservation. Please add my name to the list of concerned neighbors that would like to have this piece of history preserved.

It's clear that it was one of the first homes built in this area and if, in fact, it was once used as part of the underground railroad what a horrible loss to have it torn down.

Thank you,  
Michelle Knox



Michelle Neclerio Knox  
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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Sally Wepler <rnwepler@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 10:14 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am writing this email in support of Genny and Sean Clifford . They purchased the property on Tremont not a developers but as a couple that wants to create their dream home. They have both grown up in this area. When it became too costly to renovate they decided to build on the property and sell the older home. They were unable to sell it. They have acted in good faith! It's not right that the Clifford's be punished for wanting to create their dream home . If anything the Urton's should have done something about the house if it was that historical . I live in the neighborhood and we could do a lot worse. I know Genny and Sean will create a home with respect for the neighbors and neighborhood .

Sally Wepler  
1614 Tartan Way  
Louisville , Ky 40295  
Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Lilwep <lilwep@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:44 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Landmarking 2833 Tremont Drive

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I would like to make a few comments on this house at 2833 Tremont.

I have know Genny Heavrin Clifford since she has been born and her family for over 45 years. I have know the Clifford's for over 10 years.

These are good people, excellent citizens, who do things the right way. They worked hard in school to advance to good careers and have started a family.

They wanted to stay in the neighborhood and found a house that they could renovate and raise their children in the area they love. They did their research on the house and were told that it was not on an Historic Register. They purchased the house and started the process done by young couples. They had estimates made of the renovations and found that the costs were going to prohibit them from doing what they wanted. They then decided to level the house and divide the property into a few lots that will have very nice homes built on them. The Clifford's will live in one of these nice homes.

This private property bought in good faith has since become a nightmare for this young couple. The outcry about this property has cost them financially and emotionally, and it IS NOT FAIR. THIS SHOULD BE A NON ISSUE!!!! (legally and morally). This couple bought this property and should have the right to do with it as they please (within the laws of the jurisdiction).

I always ask people to put themselves in the position of anyone they judge. If you, or one of your children were in the same position as the Cliffords, how would you feel about how this couple has been treated. I understand that people hate to see older properties replaced, but NO ONE has stepped forward to purchase this house back from the Clifford's. IF you are so concerned about this property, make a financial offer!!! It sure appears to me that a lot of people want to save this house only if someone else has to pay for it.

In closing, this situation needs to end NOW. Let this young couple complete their dream of building their home on this property. Our neighborhood needs young people like the Cliffords.

Rick Wepler  
1614 Tartan Way  
Louisville, Ky. 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Cassie Jetton <cejett01@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:27 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Ms. Johnson,

I am unable to attend the public hearing on August 18th, but I wanted to email my support in turning 2833 Tremont Dr. into a Local Landmark! I grew up across the street from the house and would hate to see it torn down in general, but after learning more about the house and it's significance in the Underground Railroad I would especially hate it see it torn down. The house is important to our community and I know their is a buyer out there who would appreciate its historical value.

Thank You,  
Cassie Jetton

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Mike D <mhdyre01@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 8:49 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Supporting 2833 Tremont Dr.Designation

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Cynthia,

I wanted to write as a former resident of Tremont Drive that I strongly support the designation of 2833 Tremont Drive as a local landmark. This is a unique home that helps define the character of the neighborhood and has significant ties to the history of the area.

Thank You,

Mike Dyre  
10816 Hobbs Station Road  
Louisville, KY 40223

Formerly of 3013 Tremont Drive

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Sharon Ernst <ernstsharon@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 8:48 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Property on Tremont Street

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am writing this letter in support of a young family with young children who purchased an older home on Tremont Street in order to fulfill their dreams of owning a beautiful home where their family could grow together.

When this couple found out the appalling state of the property they chose to take the home down and rebuild, all while still paying a mortgage on their initial home.

From my understanding this older home was never placed on the Historical Registry, thus making it simply an old home, not really having any significant meaning other than just being a feature of this particular neighborhood.

Why in the world would neighbors have the right to stop this young couple from rebuilding a dilapidated structure in order for them to live? When did it become EVERYONE else's business and ability to force property owner's to what they conceive as their ideal?

These individuals should be ashamed of themselves in the treatment of this family!

I sincerely hope our Metro Planning and Design members will work in favor of this family. If not, the city should be responsible for the debacle this has become and take the home off their hands since they will never be able to sell it in it's current state of disrepair.

If this home was so invaluable to that neighborhood someone should have taken the steps to place it on the historical registry, rather than dumping it on an unsuspecting family.

Sincerely,

Sharon Ernst  
Louisville, KY  
502-296-3621

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Sharon  
Sharon Ernst

**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Hali Breitenstein <halibreit@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 5:56 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save 2833 tremont dr

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This home is one of the oldest sites in our neighborhood.  
Please save it from being demolished and taking away yet another landmark with possible ties to Underground Railroad  
Please let us keep our history and our memories. Please make this a historical site

Thank you  
Hali Johnston

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Marian Ackerman <marian.ackerman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 5:35 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save 2833 Tremont Drive

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Ms Johnson,

Please help us save this home from demolition. I've lived in this neighborhood for almost 40 years and have always heard stories about this historic home. They said it is pre civil war and used to hide slaves in tunnels. Don't let this beautiful and historic home be torn down!

Thanks

Marian Ackerman

Sent from my iPhone



**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Susan Moore <welovesusanmoore@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 5:27 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am sending this email to show support to try and save the home on Tremont from demolition. This is an historic home and I support saving this home in our neighborhood. Thank you for anything you can do to save this home. Thank you for your time and help. Susan Moore, 2309 Winston Avenue Louisville, Ky. 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** jr@episcopalky.org  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 4:59 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Designating Kalorama, the House of Bishop Benjamin Bosworth Smith, as an historic landmark

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am writing to support the cause of designating as a historic landmark the house called Kalorama, the Louisville house of Bishop Benjamin Bosworth Smith.

Bishop Smith was the First Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky of the Episcopal Church. He was also a leader in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. His service in Kentucky extended over a half century. He ended his ministry as the Senior (9<sup>th</sup> Presiding) Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

He was a healer of the wounds caused by the Civil war and was pivotal in reconciliation after the War during the time of Reconstruction.

He was an architect also, and he applied his skills in this very house, which we desire to be designated as an historic landmark.

Thank you for giving this cause consideration.

I hope very much that the result will be the approval to designate the house Bishop Smith called Kalorama as an historic landmark.

The Rev. James R. Wilkinson  
Historiographer of the Diocese of Kentucky  
425 South Second St., Ste. 200  
Louisville, KY 40202  
502/429-5539  
[jr@episcopalky.org](mailto:jrw@episcopalky.org)

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**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** fitoky@bellsouth.net  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 4:41 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Please save 2833 Tremont Dr from demolition. This home is a local landmark.

Thank You,  
Kathleen Chapman

Kathleen

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** tttspj@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 4:41 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont house

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I wrote to you earlier today. I am helping my 89 year old mother, Patricia Mucci, send her message. My mother also grew up on Tyler lane, as did her mother, Antoinette Simon McGrath. My mother would like to say "I was born in 1927. It was old then. I'm still here and I think it should stay. It is a stable part of the neighborhood. It used to face Tyler Lane, not that that makes any difference. We were really actually neighbors. It is a pretty part of town and I hope it can stay that way."

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** tttspj@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 2:10 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am writing to voice my concern about the late 1700's home on Tremont that it's wish to destroy. My family moved to Tyler Lane in the early 1900s and we always thought that our family home was old, but my goodness the Tremont home is pre-civil war! Abraham Lincoln probably gazed across his friend's land and may have seen Tremont home. That is incredible. We can't let this happen! We must preserve the Highlands! I think this destruction would be a traviscity if allowed. I feel the history, the beauty, the uniqueness of the homes in the area should be preserved at all costs. Please do what you can to save the house.

Thanks in advance,

Toni Evans  
2047 Tyler Lane

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** J Weber <kyjweber@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 1:52 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Support for Landmarking the Smith House

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I just heard about the petition to save this house at 2833 Tremont Drive. I want to add my support - although I did not know about the petition and am not in the neighborhood.

It seems much more investigation is needed if the house was on the route of the Underground Railroad. To demolish it would mean losing all possible history it holds. It should be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Thank you for your time

Janice Weber

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** John Ackerman <jackman3342@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 1:45 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Hi Cynthia,

I want to support designating 2833 Tremont Drive a local landmark.

Thanks,  
John Ackerman

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Curry, Dr. Page <elizabethc@bellarmine.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 1:18 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Landmark designation for 2833 Tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am writing in support of the Landmarks designation for the Powell/Smith House (Kalorama). As a lifelong Episcopalian, I was delighted to learn that our first KY Bishop, Benjamin Boswell Smith, his wife and daughters had educated young women at Kalorama in the 1840s and 1850s. Although architectural details of the house may mirror those of Farmington, the Tremont property was designed as a school, and should be landmarked and preserved as a milestone in education in Kentucky. The building is a fitting memorial for the Smiths' efforts, including the expansion of public schools in Kentucky during Bishop Smith's tenure as Superintendent of Education.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on the proposal.

Sincerely,

Page Curry, retired teacher and professor  
2027 Evergreen Avenue  
Louisville, KY 40205



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Jim Denny <jd@thesourceteam.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 1:10 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** house on tremont

**Importance:** High

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Please count me in as one in total support for designating the house at 2833 Tremont to be placed on the Historic Register and saved from demolition. It is an important part of our neighborhood and its character and we cannot afford to lose that piece of our history.

Thank you!

*Jim Denny*

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Robin <rob2171955@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 11:34 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save 2833 Tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

This is my request to save historic Tremont house.

Robin Clark

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Julie Morley <Julie\_Morley@papajohns.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 10:58 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Historic house at 2833 Tremont in the Highlands

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi, I grew up in the highlands within a quarter mile from the house on Tremont. My family attended St. Raphael church and school and my sibling was in class with the Urtons, who previously owned the house. I moved to another neighborhood in Louisville for a period, but have since moved back to this Upper Highlands neighborhood. Although I never went inside the house, we always walked by it and played around it in my youth, we admired it and the history it stands for. Louisville is rich in history and that makes up so much of the spirit of our city. I walk to dinner in the highlands to the many great restaurants that are growing here. The house on Tremont is also a piece of this neighborhood's history that belongs to the Upper Highlands neighborhood and should remain alive and visible.

I'm writing this email to let you know that I support saving the house at 2833 Tremont. It is a valuable piece of our heritage that cannot be replaced if it is torn down. It's places like this home, which is on the same level as the beautiful Olmsted parks, that make this city such a wonderful place and attraction to visitors. Please save the house on Tremont.

Julie Karibo Morley  
Manager, Corporate Communications  
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## **Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Anne & Martin Rockwell <kyrmartin@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 10:28 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Bishop Benjamin Boswell Smith house

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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We support the Landmarking of the historic Bishop Benjamin Boswell Smith home..  
Anne and Martin Rockwell

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Gladys Horvath <gah326@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 10:17 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Bishop Smith's residence

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I support preserving the home of Bishop Smith. I live in the neighborhood and often walk by the house when I'm on Tremont and Tyler Lane. Louisville cannot afford to lose more of its history and culture.

Gladys Horvath  
1705 Sutherland Drive  
40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** anne stivers <annestivers@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:35 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Preservation

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Dear Ms Johnson:

I am writing to you today to appeal for the preservation of the home at 2833 Tremont.

I grew up in the neighborhood. We played on the porch, and on the grounds as children. It is much beloved by scores of children, who are now adults.

I still live within a mile from this stately , old home.

But, I am not appealing to you for me. I am concerned for the children, and adults of the present, and future. Our neighborhood is so blessed with history. Farmington is a shining example of a precious gem in our backyards. It too, was once privately owned.

It had passed through several families. Then, when the last owners sold, it was preserved for future generations. Can you imagine the alternative?

Farmington torn down.

Gone forever. Post world war 2 ranch houses in it's place. Sounds unthinkable.

But, it could have happened. With some help of forward thinking people, it was preserved.

I have been, a garden volunteer, taken care of the Museum house inside, and my son's wedding reception took place in the garden at Farmington.

Ms. Johnson, I am just one of many, many people,who dearly love this stately old home on Tremont.

I implore you to think of our children, and grandchildren. Once gone, there is no going back with maybes, and what ifs. It will become a distant memory of a time gone by.

A gentler, slower, day full of history in our beloved area of the world.

Please , please save our

beloved home. I assure you, many generations will bless your judgement, and forward thinking! I can not attend the meeting, due to my inability to get time away from work.

Thank you for your time, and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Anne Chandler Stivers

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** MARILYN meredith <mod731@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:30 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Bishop Benjamin Smith home

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I encourage and support preservation of the Bishop Benjamin Smith home. Thanks for your hard work.

Marilyn Meredith.

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Chuck Gipperich <chuck\_gipperich@b-f.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:25 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive Landmark

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi Cynthia,

I support Historical Landmark Designation for 2833 Tremont Drive.

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Please advise if you have questions or need more information.

Best regards,

Chuck Gipperich



## **Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** angela.lewis-klein@louisville.edu  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 9:06 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Bishop Smith's home

Good morning Ms. Johnson

I would like to add my support to the preservation of Bishop Smith's home. I do not think we should allow the demolition of an historic property.

Further, I think the current owners should be tasked with making sincere and serious efforts to locate a buyer who cares about preserving our history.

thank you

Angela L. Lewis-Klein, MBA  
500 Macon Avenue  
Louisville, KY 40207

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** NPPKentuckiana <nppkentuckiana@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 8:54 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Fwd: Bishop Benjamin Smith's Home Being considered for Landmark status--August 18th, 9 a.m.

Cynthia-

Sent out this notice yesterday (see below). Unfortunately, we did not instruct those wishing to submit a letter of support to include the case number. So, any mad rantings about preservation you have or will receive probably should go into the PowellSmithHouse file.

Sorry. :0) Martina

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**From:** NPPKentuckiana <nppkentuckiana@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Sun, Aug 14, 2016 at 9:35 AM  
**Subject:** Bishop Benjamin Smith's Home Being considered for Landmark status--August 18th, 9 a.m.  
**To:** "NPP Kentuckiana." <nppkentuckiana@gmail.com>

It started with the notice that a house which affords ambience to a quiet neighborhood was to be demolished. Alarmed, some neighbors started talking to preservationists and poking around in the archives, history books and family trees.



Turns out the first Episcopalian Bishop of KY, Bishop Benjamin Boswell Smith, lived in this house and even had a school for girls there once---in this historic neighborhood, not far from Farmington.

Years after emancipation, Harry Smith a former enslaved person, alludes to this neighborhood and the Bishop in his book **Fifty Years of Slavery in the United States of America.**

See the article below for an overview [Martha Elson's story in CJ.](#) More detail? Links below.

If you support landmarking the building, please email your note of support by Aug. 15th to [Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov). You don't have to live in the neighborhood to advocate protecting our historic assets. They belong to us all.

If you wish to lend the neighborhood moral support or to make remarks, [attend](#) the Landmark Commission's hearing on this designation at the Old Jail (6th & Liberty) at 9 a.m. To learn more about the history of the house and Bishop Smith is worth the trip downtown.

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**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Eugenia Potter <potter@aye.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 8:27 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** if landmark status not designated. . . .

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RE: Bishop Benjamin Smith's Home Being considered for Landmark status--August 18th, 9 a.m.

At the very least, would you please see that a Ky highway marker is placed to recognize the girls school run by Episcopal Bishop Benjamin Boswell Smith and Harry Smith, the enslaved person who lived there. Both Ky women and Ky enslaved persons have too few markers designating they lived here, too.

Eugenia K. Potter  
2806 Rivers Edge Rd  
Louisville 40222

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Cynthia Cooke <cynthia.cooke@bashfordmanor.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 7:49 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** C'mon! Stop the bleeding! No demo!!

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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It is criminal to the public on so many levels to demolish historic landmarks.

Always wishing you the Best,

Cynthia Cooke

The 1796 Bashford Manor

2227 Bashford Manor Lane

Louisville, Kentucky. 40218

Please call: 502.295.9005

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Stephen W Brown <swb@butchertownstudios.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 7:39 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** landmarking the house at 2833 Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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dear Cynthia Johnson,

I'm writing in support of the landmarking of the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith house on Tremont Drive. - kindest regards,  
Stephen

Stephen W. Brown  
10 Dupont Way #1  
40207

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Phyllis Costello <goodeats@twc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 7:38 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont home

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Ms. Johnson:

I most definitely believe the Tremont home needs to be saved from demolition. It has historical significance. Phyllis Costello [goodeats@twc.com](mailto:goodeats@twc.com)

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Melissa Rose <merose@epicor.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 7:03 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

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To Whom it may concern,

In regards to the designation of the house located at 2833 Tremont Drive, my wife and I would, as members of the community, like to offer our thoughts.

While I am a huge history buff myself, I can see no reason to justify the designation of this property as a historic landmark. It holds no significance to any historical event. It has no architectural significance, nor does it hold any archeological value. Its only tentative claim to a "historical significance" is demonstrating a change in land use patterns along Bardstown Road and that is dubious at best. I think that urban development along trade corridors, such as Bardstown Road, is pretty well understood and not particular remarkable. Under that guise, most of the houses in Oldham county could be considered historical landmarks in 50 years as they demonstrate "Sub-Urban sprawl in the 21st century" or something equally ridiculous and reaching in search of importance.

Just as a side note, I do find it strangely ironic that a house that some people are seeking historical designation for demonstrating change and growth in the area is specifically being targeted to not allow it to change or grow.

The house has been extensively modified since its construction as noted on page 11 of the Draft Designation Report. This house has, throughout its history been updated and changed. Not only was the original Smith study removed from the property, but the addition of a modern swimming pool I think has long since relieved the site of any historic accuracy. This house has never been maintained or intended as a historic landsite as it isn't. It is, simply put, just an old house.

Moreover, I worry that the designation of this as a landmark would completely remove any ability to renovate or rebuild the property. Since, let's face it, this is never going to be a museum or anything of the like, it's only use would be as a residence. Since this designation and the rundown nature of the property along with it's 7 foot ceilings and lack of air conditioning (among other things), the ability for it to be used as a residence comes severely into question. My fear then

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Louisville Historical League <louhist@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 6:57 AM  
**To:** Louisville Historical League  
**Subject:** Bishop Benjamin Smith's Home Being considered for Landmark status--August 18th, 9 a.m.

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It started with the notice that a house which affords ambience to a quiet neighborhood was to be demolished. Alarmed, some neighbors started talking to preservationists and poking around in the archives, history books and family trees.

Turns out the first Episcopalian Bishop of KY, Bishop Benjamin Boswell Smith, lived in this house and even had a school for girls there once---in this historic neighborhood, not far from Farmington.

Years after emancipation, Harry Smith a former enslaved person, alludes to this neighborhood and the Bishop in his book **Fifty Years of Slavery in the United States of America.**

See the article below for an overview [Martha Elson's story in CJ.](#) More detail? Links below.

If you support landmarking the building, please email your note of support by Aug. 15th to [Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov). You don't have to live in the neighborhood to advocate protecting our historic assets. They belong to us all.

If you wish to lend the neighborhood moral support or to make remarks, [attend](#) the Landmark Commission's hearing on this designation at the Old Jail (6th & Liberty) at 9 a.m. To learn more about the history of the house and Bishop Smith is worth the trip downtown.

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**Yep, Louisville's got history, folks. Let's protect it!**



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Debra Harlan <debraandted@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 6:33 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Designation

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I cannot make the designation hearing Thursday (9 am, really??).

I am however in complete support of the designation of this important piece of community history nearly lost by yet another tear down approach to established neighborhoods. My deepest sympathies to Develop Louisville on the loss of more incompatible development, but this property deserves better than a dumpster and a marker next to a stick tree in front of a MacMansion.

Neutrality has neutered enough of Louisville in the past eight years. We move and dismantle history we don't approve of, and relegate visionary sustainable and green to an unmarked box in a basement. Perhaps this time history wins.

Debra Richards HARLAN  
1734 Chichester Ave  
The Highlands 40205

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Jetton, Kenton <kjetton01@bellarmine.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 15, 2016 3:03 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

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Downtown Louisville: plaques mark the water level of historical flooding, and we remember. We don't have to dwell on it, it doesn't have to stifle our optimism, or paralyze us with fear and rumination, but we should remember. A house stands on Tremont Drive that existed before any of us. A house that has seen episodes of and played a part in our city's deep history. It might not seem important to some for the city to remain recognizable. It might not seem important to some for history to be not only remembered, but connected with, present, and reminding, and physical. It might not seem important to some to preserve the ability to reach out and touch a part of local history. But, on the contrary, it is imperative.

Our city's flag showcases the most famous and historically important depiction of a lily. From Bourbon, back to Valois, back to Capetian, the fleurs-de-lis that generously pepper our city are reminders of how our city is both a part of and a product of history. How, by extension, so are we. It is important to remember our history so as to build on its successes, so as not to repeat its failings, so as to remember both its gifts and its inadequacies, but also because we are a part of it. To forget about the past is to forget about a part of ourselves. To demolish our reminders is to become complicit in the undoing of our city's culture. Progress is not the building of new buildings. True progress here would be the acceptance that there are some buildings which are more than just stone, and wood, and mortar. Some buildings which bring character to their neighborhoods, connect us with history, and inform our very self-perception.

Thanks,  
Kenton Jetton

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** NPPKentuckiana <nppkentuckiana@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 11:23 PM  
**To:** Yo Wal  
**Cc:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Re: Landmark

Thanks! Will forward to the Upper Highlands Neighborhood Group. They will appreciate it!  
How's your family in LA. Have they had to deal with flooding?

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**From:** Yo Wal <yogiebear59@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Sun, Aug 14, 2016 at 10:33 PM  
**Subject:** Landmark  
**To:** [Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Johnson@louisvilleky.gov)  
**Cc:** NPPKentuckiana <nppkentuckiana@gmail.com>

In these time we need to learn how to embrace our history and not continue to tear down our history. With all the young people growing up and not having knowledge of the rich history of Kentucky. This is not the time to continue to rob our youth of knowledge. We are more than just Horse Racing Bourbon & Booze. Let's DO the right thing with this home. It is not always about a dollars in one pocket!!! Lets look at making this a historical home, provide tours and help other learn the true HISTORY OF KENTUCKY and METRO LOUISVILLE. Learning about the richness of Louisville can also be profitable, if that what you after. Tearing it down gain nothing but another opportunity lost to learn how our city put it marks and footprints on the world of the past to the present!!

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*It is up to all of us,*

Martina Nichols Kunnecke  
President  
Neighborhood Planning & Preservation, Inc. (NPP)

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Clay Shulhafer <woolyc@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 10:51 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Demolition on Tremont

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Hello Cynthia,

I just want you to know that I am Not opposed to the idea of the house being razed on Tremont. That family bought that land not knowing the magnitude of the trouble it has caused with nosey and selfish neighbors. My family lives off Tyler Lane. I feel bad about how the new landowners are being treated.

Thanks,  
Clay Shulhafer Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Yo Wal <yogiebear59@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 10:33 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Cc:** NPPKentuckiana  
**Subject:** Landmark

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Bryan Grumley <jbgrumley@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 9:42 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Bishop Smith's home

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I'm writing to express my support for landmarking Bishop Smith's home.

Thank you.

Bryan Grumley

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Kay Shields Wilkinson <kayswilkinson@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 6:28 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Fw: 2833 Tremont Drive

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**From:** Kay Shields Wilkinson  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 6:13 PM  
**To:** Cynthia Johnson  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I'm writing to add my support for designating

**2833 Tremont Drive**

a local landmark.

It has historical and architectural significance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,  
Kay Shields Wilkinson, CPA

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** GaryD <gary419@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 14, 2016 12:01 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Designating 2833 Tremont Drive as a Local Landmark

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Just wanted to weigh in on the 2833 Tremont Drive property.  
I am against saving or designating this house as a Landmark.  
As of yet I have not heard any ideas regarding any eventual end game plan  
for this property except putting the current owners into further debt.

Gary Dodson  
2702 Lamont Rd  
Louisville, Ky (Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association Member)



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Deb Reese Hall <deb@digital-reactor.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 10:14 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont historical designation

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Ms. Johnson,

We are opposed to designating this property any kind of historical status. I agree with the comments above. The structure of this house was historically compromised years ago. And no historically minded person or group has made a serious or reasonable offer for the property. No easements existed on this property when it was purchased. We should not punish the new owners for something no one else wanted to, or wants to pay for?

We should do the right thing and let the property be demolished.

Deb & Brian Hall  
2550 Dundee Road

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Leslie Cissell <lesliecissell@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 5:50 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

Dear Cynthia,

This email is in support of designating 2833 Tremont Drive a Local Landmark. The structure is a vital link in the history of Louisville and the Bardstown Road Turnpike. It is almost 200 years old. There are relatively few structures of this age remaining in the area that is now populated with newer homes. The Powell-Smith House exemplifies, "You can't know where you are going until you know where you have been". To understand this area of Louisville, the house must remain to show the progression from rural outpost to urban farmland. Surrounding homes continue the progression to limited and then widespread suburban development.

Furthermore, the notable Bishop Benjamin Bosworth Smith made the property a landmark by naming it Kalorama because a landmark is anything that lets you know where you are. Bishop Smith lived in the home for over 15 years. As the first Episcopal Bishop of Kentucky, he traveled extensively domestically and internationally. His letters to people across the world, such as one he wrote from Paris in 1852, refer to the property in this way, "...if you will procure a carriage at the Depot, and come directly out to Kalorama..." The private school he operated in the home also helped spread the name throughout the South and in newspapers.

The house is a testament to adaptation and survival. It has been altered and transformed to remain relevant during each of the three centuries in which it has stood. It retained its place in history as it integrated into modern suburbia and lifestyles.

2833 Tremont Drive should be designated a Local Landmark because it is a touchstone for its surrounding neighborhood and Louisville. It is a vital piece of the historical tapestry of our heritage.

Leslie Cissell  
Gladstone Avenue, 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Carol Edelen <cmedelen@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 4:36 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Historic Property

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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am writing this note requesting your help in saving the house/property located at 2833 Tremont in the 40205 zip code. Going back to ancient civilizations and moving forward, we can gain a bit of historical perspective on what life was like, values folks had, belief systems practiced, etc. What a shame more of our historic places and buildings have been subjected to the wrecking ball to make way for progress! Such a cost!!

Some areas, like Perryville Battlefield, Main St. Louisville, Shakertown, there have been efforts to save landmarks and whole neighborhoods adding much to the tourist trade. Visitors from overseas often remark that we Americans seem to have no appreciation for architecture which often include the stories about the culture and times.

Surely you have read about the historical significance of the property from others so I will not go into detail at this time. It is however, my hope that given this chance we have to save and protect just a little bit of what is left of our past history, we will do so. And in doing so, we will preserve it for generations to come so that they can learn and know who these people were during such times.

Thank you for your attention to this note.

Sincerely,  
Carol Edelen

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Beth Franklin <beth.weppeler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 3:59 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Support for Tremont Demolition

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Good Afternoon,

I wanted to email in regards to the house at 2833 Tremont Ave. in the Highlands neighborhood. I am under the impression that some of my neighbors are trying to get this house on the historic registry to prevent the family who purchased it from tearing it down. I have lived in the neighborhood all my life and although I think the house is interesting I think the property should be able to be torn down by the property owners. For starters the owners purchase this home as private property. How do we get to decide what they can do with it after the purchase? If it wasn't on the historic registry before why should it be now?

The house looks to be in total disrepair and although I understand history is important and enriching (I have a BA in history) I would still prefer a new home to replace it and further beautify our neighborhood.

It should have been the previous homeowners responsibility to keep the house in good order if it was historic.

The new homeowners should not be burdened with the pervious owners negligence of the home.

Thanks

Beth Franklin

Property owner on Sutherland Dr.

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Jenny Shulhafer <jenny.shulhafer@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 1:50 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont House

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Good Afternoon Cynthia,

My name is Jenny Shulhafer and I'm close friends of Genny and Sean Clifford. I met Genny as a freshman in high school at Assumption and been best friends since. I was from Jtown but instantly fell in love with The Highlands, especially the area where Heavrin's lived, on Tyler. Anyway, loved the area so much so that my husband Clay and I bought a house in area in 2010 in Hayfield.

As as homeowner in this amazing area, I'm baffled and disgusted at the bullying the Clifford's have received for the demolition of the house on Tremont. When they bought the house, they couldn't wait to update it, make it their own. However, it was just not practical as every contractor said same thing. They've tried to sell, no one else has expressed interest in buying the whole time it was on market. Then out of blue people get involved. The amount of online bullying they have endured is awful. They are just trying to do the best thing for their family. If neighbors were so concerned maybe they should have contacted the Clifford's directly instead of taking it this far.

I support the Clifford family in this 100%. It's their property and they will make it look like it belongs in the neighborhood. I also find it terrible that people that sign the petition didn't do their research on all that this involves.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer. I will also be at the hearing on Thursday in support of Genny and Sean Clifford. Time for this to end. Enough is enough.

Sincerely,  
Jenny Shulhafer ( Hayfield neighborhood)

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Katie M <katiekcmurphy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 1:22 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont Ave House

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This email is to support the current owners of the property on Tremont. This home is not a landmark. I currently live in this neighborhood (Hayfield) and also grew up on Wellbrooke Rd attending schools in the area. It is an interesting house with a lot of green space which makes it more unique. But the green space isn't even part of this equation. Without a buyer to restore this house, it will become another unrestored, condemned, eye sore for the neighborhood. And for what reason? Almost nothing of the original home is left or untouched. What is currently the front of the house was originally the back... The porch isn't an original fixture. There is a inground pool over the tunnels that "might" be below ground? I think it is unfair to the owners to restrict their rights when they would have never purchased this home if it were on the historical registry. If you do not live or did at some point live within the 5 streets surrounding this house you would have no idea it is there. This is not Farmington or the Peterson-Dumesnil House.

Sincerely,

Katie McMurry

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** M.D. Parr <mdpmail@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 13, 2016 10:25 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Aug 18th 2016 2833 Tremont meeting

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Good morning , Cynthia,

I'm sorry , due to my age and health , that I am unable to attend meeting on Thursday, of the above date but wanted to put my vote in " for saving the historic 2833 Tremont home."

This area has many homes similar to the Tremont property that have been restored for future generations to enjoy.. and for our descendants to realize that " Louisville has a great history " to be remembered .

How sad , that otherwise, Louisville will be turned in to " just another City of condos and apartments ." We should never forget the past but cherish it as " History of days gone by!"

The Tremont property can be brought back to life again , and possibly used as a place for research, similar to the " Filson Club" , to collect and store information about the Highlands area.

This would be a wonderful way to add , and to continue the History of this 1834 Tremont Home; to save this Highland's History of Louisville for many years to come.

So .... my Vote is "YES" to save the property at 2833 Tremont .

Thank you for your time, and concern

Sincerely

Mary D. Parr

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Sewell Long <sewell.long@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 8:54 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Flag for follow up  
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Please know that my wife, Esther, and I support the efforts to keep the house at 2833 Tremont from being razed. It should be preserved as a historic landmark.

Thank you for your efforts.

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Please excuse tYPoS

*Sewell*

502.592.5786



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Cindy Shipp <joyful829@twc.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 3:47 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont dr.

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Hi Cynthia,

I'm not able to attend meeting on this Thursday, but wanted to put my vote in for saving the historic 2833 Tremont home.

Thanks.

Cynthia Shipp

[Joyful829@twc.com](mailto:Joyful829@twc.com)

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Steve Huber <shuber@allbatterycenterky.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 4:03 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** The historic house on Tremont in Louisville

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Good afternoon Cynthia. I want to voice my support for preventing the demolition of he historic house at 2833 Tremont. I grew up on Strathmoor and went to St Raphael and have always admired that house. I think it would be a shame to see it destroyed.

Thank you.

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Steve Huber  
502 595 7473 mobile  
502 297 8600 store  
Interstate All Battery Center  
We Have it, Find it, or Build it!

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Donna Piercy <donna@thegenesisshop.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 4:03 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont home

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Please save the Historic Tremont house!!

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** tammytheburke@gmail.com on behalf of Tammy Burke <tammymburke@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 3:43 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hello Ms. Johnson,

I write to you as a member of the historical reenacting community to support saving the relic from our shared past on Tremont Ave. Once an old structure is razed, there's no recreation that matches the life that went into building it, made by hand. Please act to preserve our common history. You can make a difference.

Sincerely,  
Tammy Burke, Costumed Interpreter, Locust Grove Historic Home

**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Rick Daniels <rickkeb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 3:12 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr. 40205

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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We are in support of having this location listed as an historical home. We are not able to make the public hearing on August 18, but want to inform you of our support.

Rick and Karen Daniels  
3026 Eleanor Ave.  
Louisville, KY 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Elaine Jetton <elainejetton@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 3:06 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

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Ms. Johnson,

Thanks you for all your time and effort on this petition. I am writing you in support of saving this historic home. I grew up in the area and currently see the house from my front porch. As a child I was always fascinated by the house. Growing up I always heard about the slave tunnels in the basement. Although I was never in the tunnels I loved hearing about them.

I have been interested in historic preservation since I was a child and my mother took me to the very last showing at the Rialto Theater. She thought it was important for me to see it since it was getting torn down to make way for a parking lot. It was the most beautiful place I had every been in with the crystal chandeliers, marble staircase, and velvet curtains. The next day there was an article in the paper about the theater and we cut it out and put it in my scrap book. Every since that day when I hear about historic preservation I think Wow I wish someone would have fought to save the Rialto theater.

Once a historic property is gone - it is just gone for ever. I think that is what has happen in our country people buy historic homes and say they can not fix it up and then they are destroyed.

2833 Tremont is a part of the history of our neighborhood. I appreciate anything you can do to help save this historic property for future generations.

Sincerely,  
Elaine Jetton

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Beverly Snyder <snyderbeverlyb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 8:14 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Cc:** Genheav@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Clifford property on Tremont

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I am writing in regards to the property on Tremont Drive owned by Genny and Sean Clifford. My husband and I have lived in this area for over 20 years. We were happy to learn the Clifford's bought this property for a place to raise their children. It is unfortunate that a few residents have shattered their dreams claiming the house is historical. I don't understand how they have control over the progression since they have no financial interest. My husband and I support Genny and Sean and we hope this matter is resolved soon, so that they may pursue their dreams. We look forward to having them as neighbors!

Beverly and Ray Snyder  
3027 Wickland Road  
Louisville, KY 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Bryan Franklin <bryan.franklin7@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2016 12:00 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Ms Johnson,

It has been brought to my attention that comments regarding 2833 Tremont Drive being designated a historic landmark should be sent to you.

I would like to express my concern for taking away the rights from the new owners. This house was on the market for several months without any offers. Why would we as a family community want to punish the people who stepped up to purchase the property? Especially considering that the owner has openly expressed that their plan was to remodel the home but it is just unreasonable financially.

I hope that everyone will take into consideration the new owners deserved rights and allow them to move forward with their plans. If not, I'm afraid we will see many Highlands homes and buildings left empty for years from the fear of buying and being told they are unable to do what they would like with their own property.

Thanks for your time.

Have a great weekend.

Bryan Franklin  
Highlands Home Owner



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Susan Heavrin <Sjch51@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 11, 2016 7:44 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Cc:** sjch51@aol.com  
**Subject:** House on Tremont Avenue 40205

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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To whom it may concern:

I am contacting you regarding the house on Tremont Avenue Louisville, KY 40205 that is being considered as an historical landmark. I do not understand the need to designate this property as a landmark. Why did the long-time previous owners choose to not make it a landmark? Did they disclose this possible situation to the Cliffords when they sold the property? While they surely thought of the house as their family home, it seems that they did not care about the historical significance of the house. If there even is any historical significance. It is wrong to single out the Cliffords and burden them with the issue of making the house a landmark. Why did the neighbors not force the previous owners to make the house a landmark? I am asking that you decide in favor of the Cliffords, a young family trying to create their forever home. I have known Genny and Sean Clifford for most of their lives. They both grew up in this neighborhood. You would be hard-pressed to know finer people than Genevieve and Sean Clifford. I am asking that you favor the Cliffords in this issue. Thank you for accepting this letter.

Sincerely,  
Susan Clark Heavrin  
10001 Harlech Lane  
Louisville, KY. 40299  
502-724-0682  
[Sjch51@aol.com](mailto:Sjch51@aol.com)

Sent from my iPad

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** tw722@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 11, 2016 4:24 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive  
**Attachments:** 2833 Tremont Drive.pdf

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Ms. Johnson,

Attached is my letter of support for the demolition of 2833 Tremont Drive. Please confirm receipt.

Yours truly,

Anthony Williams  
3220 Eagle Pass  
Louisville, KY 40213  
502-314-9582

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Mary Gayle <lydia222s@att.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 10, 2016 6:37 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Fwd: Demolition Tremont

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**From:** Mary Gayle <[lydia222s@att.net](mailto:lydia222s@att.net)>  
**Date:** August 10, 2016 at 6:34:21 PM EDT  
**To:** [Cynthia.Johnson@louisville.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Johnson@louisville.gov)  
**Subject:** Demolition Tremont

Good Evening,

This letter is in regard to the property purchased by Sean and Genny Clifford.

This could be an essay, but I believe the principle can be short.

The lot was purchased and approved. With the Clifford family excited and anxious to build that corner into a home, a lovely Highlands home befit to raise their children.

Now as I have read in the CJ, there is instant interest in declaring the residing home which is empty and in despair, and property in which Genny and Sean wish to build an endearing home that will enrich all homes in that area.

There was no interest in the said "HISTORIC" property until they purchased that land.

It is ludicrous that this issue has monument end in the battle that is NOW !

Let this family build, and continue to do with what they RIGHTLY purchased.

I have lived in this area 32 years and frequently cut through Tremont. I'm excited to see what the Clifford's can build on that corner, and beautify that space, raising a wonderful family, making new memories, NOT embracing old ideals.

Respectfully

Mary Gayle Gurley


Steve Gurley

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Laura Clifford <lcliffordtah@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 10, 2016 3:39 PM  
**To:** Pat Glasser; Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Re: 2833 Tremont Should Be Demolished

You sound sooooo intelligent.... 

On Wednesday, August 10, 2016 10:42 AM, Pat Glasser <figg51@yahoo.com> wrote:

I am sending this email in **support of demolishing the structure** at 2833 Tremont Dr.

- (1) I have lived in the Highlands for more than 30 years. I love historical properties. My first home was a 150 year old shotgun in New Orleans that my husband and I loved and updated.
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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 10, 2016 10:42 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Jason Bowers <b.jasonbowers@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 10, 2016 9:57 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Ms. Johnson:

I am writing in regards to the property at 2833 Tremont Drive. I would like to voice my concern about the (potential) plans to demolish the existing home on the property. I feel it is important that when a piece of property and/or a structure is of historical significance that we should retain that property and/or structure, in order to be sure that others who come after us have the opportunity to learn about and appreciate the history associated with such features. Preservation should be the focus here. There are many areas of new development and re-development that are occurring in areas where historical significance is not an issue. Therefore, the owners of this property have other options. One of those options should not be to destroy a part of history because that would be a mistake. Any house/property that holds significant historical value should be listed as a landmark rather than tagged for demolition. I understand it is becoming harder and harder in today's times to find people who care about the history of this country and we are becoming more and more a minority every day. We need to preserve the history of our great country so that we do not lose our identity. Let's not forget how great we have become and the tremendous efforts it took to get here.

I thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this matter.

Jason Bowers

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Vicky Weber <vweber@kosair.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 09, 2016 1:24 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** On behalf of Genny & Sean Clifford  
**Attachments:** DemoonTremont.docx

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Attached is a letter of support for the Clifford Family. Many thanks.

Vicky and Rick Weber  
606 Plainview Terrace Drive  
Louisville, KY 40223

On behalf of Sean and Genny Clifford – In support for Demo on Tremont

To Whom It May Concern:

It's truly hard for me to understand any opposition to a family that wants to build their dream home on property that **belongs to them**. Not only would the Clifford family enhance the neighborhood, they would be great neighbors to everyone. This is their dream for the family, a family that has been part of the Highlands for a long time. They are passionate about staying in the area...to raise their children in such a safe and beautiful community.

Sean and Genny Clifford have worked hard to realize their dream. This can still happen for this beautiful family. If given the chance, they will build a beautiful home that will make the neighborhood proud.

We are fortunate to have known this family for a very long time. They are trustworthy, caring, hard-working and passionate. How awesome it would be to be their neighbor!

Thank you.

Vicky and Rick Weber



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Laura Clifford <lclifford.history@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 09, 2016 11:27 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont should be demolished

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I am sending this email in **support of demolishing the structure** at 2833 Tremont Dr.

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Emily Wheeler <emilywheelercustomcakes@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 11:51 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Support of Clifford Family/Tremont Home

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I am in support of Sean and Genny Clifford's decision to demolish their home on Tremont. I would hope that as a young woman, my right to do what I want with my future home would never be taken away, especially AFTER the home is rightfully mine. I can't imagine the heartache and disappointment the Clifford's have felt after purchasing their dream home only to be attacked by neighbors with information that is unfounded, and disputable. Where was this information before, or during the purchase of the home? I am saddened by what these neighbors have put this sweet family through during the last year. The house is falling down, and hundreds of thousands of dollars in disrepair. A historical home is wonderful, and I support anyone who feels that going through the right channels to preserve their property by obtaining such a status. However, trying to achieve historical status on someone else's home after they have purchased it is taking away their right as a homeowner and person to do what they want, if they don't agree with you. I realize the commission has a very big job, and a very big decision to make, but this is a complete waste of everyone's time.

Thank you,  
Emily Wheeler

[www.emilywheelercustomcakes.com](http://www.emilywheelercustomcakes.com)  
502.533.6365

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Cecilia Wheeler <cecwheel0219@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 11:36 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Support for Clifford Family, Tremont Drive, Louisville, KY Home

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Ms. Johnson:

Please pass this letter to the appropriate team if necessary. My husband and I are in complete support of the Sean and Genny Clifford in their decision to demolish the Tremont house. We have known this Family and their parents for many years and knew of their excitement when initially purchasing the Tremont house. They were excited about the prospect of finding suitable contractors to renovate and ultimately enjoy the beauty of this home and it's surroundings.

Once purchased, the string of contractors that came through were all singing from the same songbook. The costs were going to be something they had not financially prepared for nor knew that they would have to endure to ready the house to live in comfortably. It was going to be astronomical. So, they thought the most appropriate thing to do would be to sell to someone who would be more financially able to afford these costs. So they put it up for sale. But to no avail. Everyone that looked at it, and brought in their own contractors, found out the same issues. It was going to be too costly to renovate. Sean and Genny were devastated. They absolutely had no desire to demolish this home. But would else could they do?

They are a young couple with small children and their life is just beginning. Historical property is something to be cherished and preserved and no one appreciates this more than we do. But only if it does not involve destroying the financial future of a person's life. If the Commission deems this property to be historical and not demolish it, this could ruin this young couple's finances. This is not fair nor anyone's business. They purchased the house fair and square and everyone else should back away from this issue.

We understand it's quite a dilemma - but ultimately, it's the here and now and Sean and Genny's own personal life. Plus they own the property fair and square. Plus, why now? Why try and find something on this property now after 150 years of all the families that have lived there and never cared? This is an absolute travesty for this young couple.

Please support this couple's right to do what they want with THEIR OWN PROPERTY.

Thank you.

David & Cecilia Wheeler  
Louisville, KY

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Julietdillon522 <julietdillon522@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 8:53 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont house

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I just wanted to write a brief email to show my support for the demolition of the house on Tremont drive in the highlands.

First off, I would like to state that I grew up around the corner from this house. I know this neighborhood very well and have a great love and appreciation for the highlands.

However, I think that it is completely absurd that anyone can tell private property owners what they can and cannot do with their own property.

Genny and Sean Clifford are a great family and will only make this neighborhood better. They are kind, caring people who know and value the Highlands as much as I do. They have exhausted all their options and unless someone has an offer to bring them, they should be able to do what they like.

That being said,

I have always enjoyed old homes and the uniqueness that comes with it. I understand people who appreciate history and want to preserve it. However, this should have been done before the property was sold. It should be up to the property owner whether they want to have the house looked at for historic value.

I have seen this house first hand and Although the Tremont home is old and seemingly beautiful, when you actually look at all that has been done, you truly loose what was once beautiful. Not only does it have very serious foundation issues, but the porch (which I was told is not original) is also falling off the house. The tall ceilings are nice but then when you go upstairs and see how low the ceilings are, it makes you wish they had not made the downstairs so grand.

Cracked plaster, layers of paint and wall paper, shag carpet and what looks like 1970's bathrooms and kitchen show how this house no longer shows any historical interest.

There is no history left in this house and it would cost too much to even make it livable. What is the value in keeping a falling down house up.

There is worth in many historic old homes and sights, but I do not see the historic value in this home.

Thank you for this time,

Juliet Dillon

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Deana Kirn <dkirn49@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 8:32 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont/Clifford family

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Ms. Johnson, I am writing this to you not only as aunt to Sean and Genny Clifford but also as a owner of a home in Indiana purchased through the Landmark Historical Society. When the home my husband and I purchased was put on the market it was fully disclosed in the MRSP listing that it had historical value. When we inquired about the property with Compass Realtors they immediately informed us of the covenant agreement we would enter into upon purchase of this property and also a copy of the archeological dig of the property. We were fully informed of this from day one. Did the homeowners association for the Tremont property go to this measure for preservation when they realized this property was up for sale? I don't believe they did. If this property is of such historical value why did they not jump on this sooner, before the sale. I feel strongly this is not a question of historical value of a property because of this fact. I am sure you will review all the facts about what truly qualifies as a historical property after reviewing this.

Sincerely,  
Deana Kirn  
626 East 7th st  
Jeffersonville IN  
502-836-9013

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Sarah Frerman <sbfrerma@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 7:54 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Support for Demo on Tremont Drive

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hello,

My name is Sarah Wheeler and my husband and I have been living in Hikes Point for several years. We are friends of the Clifford's. I grew up in Alabama and have been traveling to Louisville, Kentucky my entire life to visit extended family. You see, my aunt lives in the upper Highlands on Wickland. All I know of Louisville is coming to the upper Highlands. The location is just spectacular....with the schools, restaurants, churches, beautiful homes, nice size lots, easy access to highway. My dream for my little family is to one day move to the upper Highlands. We are currently saving up to move to that location and fulfill our dreams. The Clifford's are so close to having their dreams come true.....Owning house in the same neighborhood Genny grew up, walking distance to grandmother and Aunt, walking distance to school...it is perfect! However, it is a complete shame the situation the Clifford's are in. The previous owners and neighbors should be ashamed of themselves. The owners have shattered a great little family's dreams. If they wanted the history to remain in that house, they should have completed the renovations and stayed in the house themselves. If the neighbors want the history to remain in that house, they should buy the house or pay for the renovations. That's silly....neighbors would never help pay...but they are sure willing help destroy dreams. It is disappointing this is how they welcome new neighbors. It makes me question my dream to move there. Why would I want to move to an area with such unsupportive people? Are we really saying that columns in an old house are more important than a child's future. I get history....I understand the importance....I appreciate history....I also want to create history with my little family and have such great memories in a community I love.....just like the Clifford's. All my hope and prayers go to this wonderful, loving family that they get the house and life they deserve and dream of.

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Kathy Knotts <kathryn.knotts@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 5:20 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont House

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear Ms. Johnson,

I'm writing in support of saving the historic home at 2833 Tremont in the Highlands. I live in an older historic home in Crescent Hill and agree wholeheartedly that these are unique, individual treasures of our city. Once they are gone, they are truly gone; we lose a piece of our story and the neighborhood loses a piece of its natural character and beauty.

I urge you to please do everything within your power to save this important home.

Thank you for your efforts and serious attention to our plea.

Most sincerely,  
Kathy Knotts

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Kathryn Knotts  
50 Eastover Court  
Louisville, KY 40206  
(502) 445-2485

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Tripper Lane <tripper.lane@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 3:59 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Fwd: Clifford's House on Tremont

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Ms. Johnson,

My name is Trip Lane and I've been a friend of the Clifford's for more than 10 years now. I married into the friendship, so I've only known them while I've been with my wife.

It has been brought to my attention that the Clifford's are now in a battle for the right to do as they please with the property they have just purchased. It's my understanding that the battle is really with the neighbors that have lived in this area prior to the purchase. Battle may be a stretch, but as I see it not that far from one...

It has always been my understanding as a citizen of this great nation, and a Louisville native, that we should have the right to do as we see with whatever we purchase (as long as those things are legal of course). If things had been disclosed before the purchase of said property, that may be different, but at the end of the day it seems as though the Clifford's are being persecuted by those in the neighborhood that may have different motives. So, maybe battle isn't a stretch in that when someone is trying to take something from you without just cause, you fight for your rights.

As I stated, I've known the Clifford's for more than 10 years now. Their motives have always been pure and with good intentions. While their intentions have always been good, so have their actions and that to me stands out more than anything. I would think it morally and fundamentally wrong to take away the ability to do what they see fit for their family and this property.

I write with the up most respect for you. I will not be able to attend the hearing on account I will be out of town. May these words reach you well.

Regards,

Trip Lane



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Emily Lape <emily.lape@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 1:34 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Cc:** Erick Lape  
**Subject:** Sean and Genny Clifford - Tremont Property

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To whom it may concern:

> I am writing in regards to the Clifford's house/property on Tremont. We would like to show our support in the decisions they have made for the future of the property they purchased. I lived in this area for almost 25 years and it is very upsetting that neighbors are able to and feel entitled to stop this young family from starting their forever home on property they purchased. The Clifford's purchased this property from a family that owned it for 40+ years and never did they take the initiative to turn this into a historic landmark. It was not disclosed to them before purchasing that this was or could be labeled a historic landmark. Why should the Clifford's have to carry and worry about this very rigid and expensive burden now?

> Thank you for your time.

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> Sincerely,

> Erick and Emily Lape

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Michelle Lane <mlane52210@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 1:25 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont property

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Hello, I am friends with the Clifford's and I feel this is not right to take away their personal property. The commission needs to consider this in their vote. The Clifford's are a young family who are trying to create their forever home and should not have anyone standing in their way. They have been targeted by the neighbors for their own personal interest and it is wrong. If this house on Tremont was so important, or so historic how come the prior owners who lived there for 40+ years didn't make it a landmark? Why should the Clifford's be force to do so now that they own this land. I truly hope this matter is resolved in the appropriate manner and soon. I think it's ridiculous they have had to deal with this.

Michelle Lane

Michelle Lane  
Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Brittny Forren <brittnyeforren@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 06, 2016 12:16 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save 2833 Tremont!!!

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I strongly urge you to preserve and enjoy the historic house instead of tear it down!!

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Kelsey Forren <kelseyforren@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 05, 2016 6:35 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi Cynthia,

Wanted to write you to express my interesting in preserving 2833 Tremont Dr. If there is anything further I can do, please let me know. I grew up going to my aunts house across the street and the loss of that property would change the entire area. It's a beautiful home and we must strive to preserve historical structures such as itself.

Best of luck and thanks for your efforts,

Kelsey Forren  
502.558.5546

Sent from my iPad

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Lee Jolly <LeeJollyRealtor@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 05, 2016 4:02 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

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**From:** Lee Jolly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 3, 2016 3:59 PM  
**To:** [cynthia.johnson@louisville.gov](mailto:cynthia.johnson@louisville.gov)  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont Drive

Ms. Johnson-

I am writing this email to urge you to support the neighbors efforts to save the above mentioned property. This property seems to tell stories about the history of Louisville that are not available in other historic properties that I have visited. I especially love that this building educated women almost 200 years ago. I hope you are able to assist with keeping this home from a wrecking ball.

Best of luck and thank you for your time. I am wishing you success.

**Lee Jolly**

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6511 Glenridge Park Place #10

Louisville, Kentucky?? 40206

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## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** alransdell@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 9:10 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Save the house!

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Hello Cynthia,

I hope the house on Tremont is saved from destruction, and I hope you can help!

Thank you.

Ann Ransdell

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Mary Jean Curley <mjc4029@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 7:35 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

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I hope that measures can be taken to place the home on 2833 Tremont on the historic registry. We need to preserve our history.

Sincerely,

Mary Jean Curley  
4029 St. Germaine Ct.  
Louisville, KY 40207

Sent from my iPad

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** marilyn massey <massey\_ml@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 6:15 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Historic property

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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We are writing to ask that the historic property at 2833 Tremont be saved. It has a rich history and it is our understanding that there are people that will help find a buyer. Please add our request to all of the others that you have received and present them on August 18.

Thank you,  
Marilyn & Bob Massey

Sent from my iPhone



## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Mary Joe Brown <maryjoe.brown@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 5:49 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Historic House

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Please work to help save that beautiful historic house in the Highlands. We need to keep all historic properties so young people get to see how they were used. Thanks, Mary Joe Brown

Sent from my iPhone

**Johnson, Cynthia E**

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**From:** Cathy <cathy.wessel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 5:25 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** 2833 Tremont

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Please do not let anything happen to this glorious home, full of history be demolished!!!

Sent from my iPhone

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Roby, Lois <lroby@bellarmine.edu>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 5:20 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Please save 2833 Tremont Dr

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Cynthia, I am writing to ask for your help in saving 2833 Tremont Drive. Please don't let this valuable piece of history be lost. Thanks,

**Lois Higdon Roby**  
2310 Manchester Rd  
Louisville, KY 40205

## Johnson, Cynthia E

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**From:** Lisa <lstearns1957@att.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2016 5:09 PM  
**To:** Johnson, Cynthia E  
**Subject:** Tremont Drive

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I am sending you this to show my support in saving the home on Tremont Drive. I hope the owners will work with the organization that helps find people wanting to purchase historic homes.

Concerned citizen,

Lisa Stearns

Sent from my iPhone

## Comments in support of Sean and Genny Clifford

My name is Buddy Mattingly, a resident of the Upper Highlands for over 40 years. I come before you today representing the undersigned to express my support for Sean and Genny Clifford and their desire to remove a house and replace it with the home of their dreams. Allow them to create new memories in a part of Louisville they so love, just a stone's throw of Genny's childhood home.

My remarks will address the conclusions of the Draft Designation Report as to whether five of the nine criteria established by this Commission are truly met.

### So what are you, the petitioner's attempting to preserve?

If one compares the original house built in 1836 or even the house as shown in the 1911 photograph included in the Designation Report to the house that exist today you will find little resemblance to the original Federalist style. What will you see?

- Two new porches on north and south elevations
- Modified roofline
- Side addition in a bay form (very modern looking). Later modified a second time
- Windows and door openings modernized
- Dormers added both front and back
- Eave detail GONE
- Bishop Smith's study, related to the "historical" school, was removed from the property
- Garage added
- Modern swimming pool added

The Draft Designation Report itself concludes and I paraphrase:

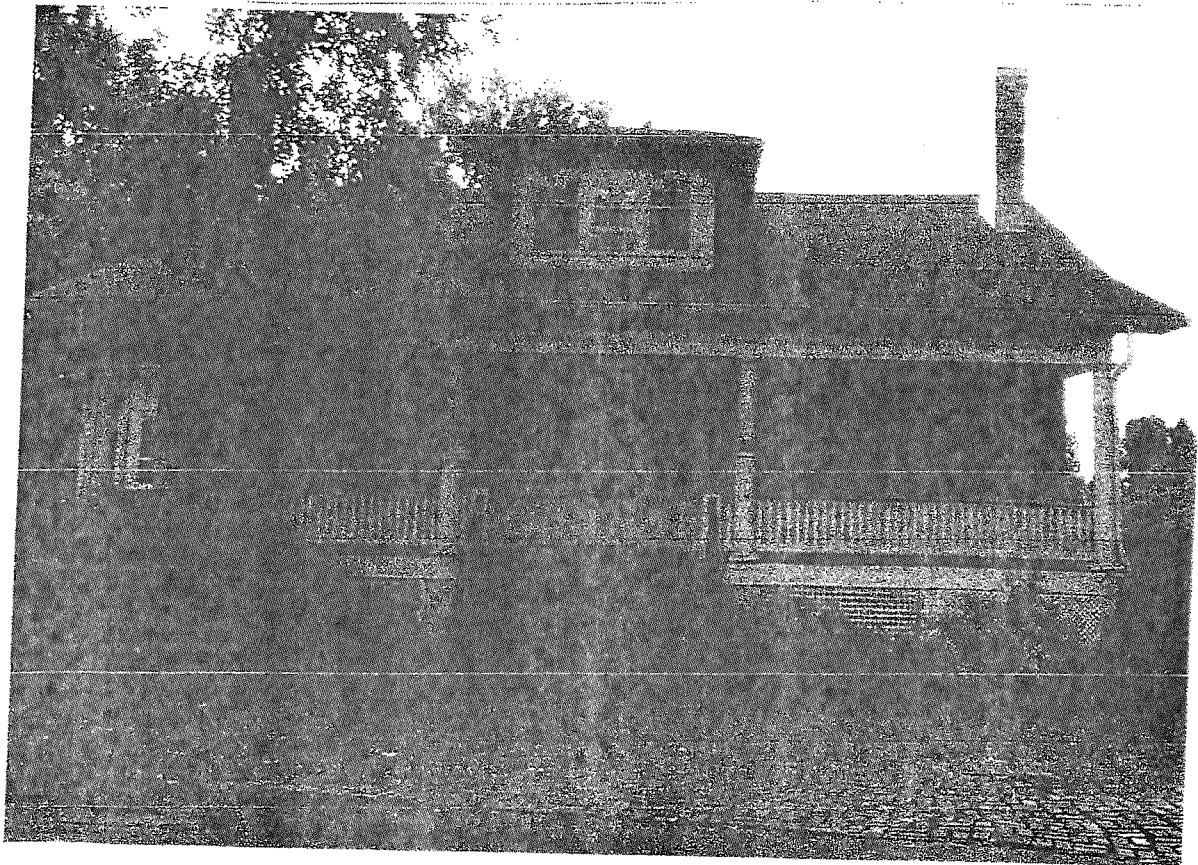
*The house to certain degree has lost integrity for design, feeling, and association due to the Craftsman architectural style alterations that impact the reading of the original Federal style of the dwelling. Additionally, the removal of Bishop Smith's study from the site impacts the feeling and association with Smith's use of the property as a private school (Kalorama).*

I believe these statements and additional statements throughout the report call to question whether Criteria (a) (h) and (i) are truly met.

I ask the commission to simply compare the two pictures on the next page and ask yourself **what are the petitioner's attempting to preserve? Clearly they are not the same house.**



1911 photo of Kalorama. *Courtesy of the Filson Club*



### **With regard to Criteria (b) Archaeological significance**

I am troubled by comments such as *“likely to yield significant archeological information... Could potentially yield... brick tunnels... no definitive evidence to support assertion”* – Should the Commission make a determination of whether to preserve an old house and put a tremendous burden on a young couple based on “likely”, “could potentially” or “no definitive evidence”?

There are times we must simply move forward and stop trying to preserve an idea. The 1836 house doesn't exist. The house has been altered, modified, modernized and in the case of the school study, removed over the last 100 years. The current residents of the subdivisions bounded by Tremont Drive, Tyler Lane, Dahlia Avenue and Bardstown Road should be THRILLED that residents living around the house in question didn't prevent Dr. Powell and many of the past owners of this “VALUABLE property... 40 Acres of first rate Beargrass Land”, from ultimately selling off all but two acres. Those current residents would be living somewhere else today.

**Finally criteria (d) and Bishop Smith** – Isn't it a bit of a stretch to identify Bishop Smith as a person who significantly contributed to the culture and development of Louisville Metro, Jefferson County, the Commonwealth, or the nation? There is nothing in the Designation Report supporting any significant contribution to Louisville and Jefferson County. I wouldn't think starting a school for girls on this property was that uncommon in the 1800's and it surely doesn't rise to the level of “significant”. Today we would “likely” call it “home schooling”. And, if we are using “likely” and “potentially” when referencing archaeological significance, I would think it fair to characterize the school as nothing more than a building for home schooling his children. Not revolutionary or significant then or now. Bishop Smith spent less than 20% of his life in Louisville. The new owners have already spent more years in this community than Bishop Smith, and have made significant contributions toward its welfare.

### **So what should you be attempting to preserve?**

I believe you should be preserving the spirit of the Upper Highlands. That spirit, is not defined by the house one lives in, rather by the people who want to continue to be part of this great community bounded by Tyler Lane, Tremont Drive, Dahlia Avenue and Bardstown Road. That spirit comes from couples like Sean and Genny who have lived their entire lives as your neighbors. This couple who is contributing so much to our community in their roles in the health care industry hopes to raise their family as your neighbors. I encourage you to allow them to remove this modernized structure and build the home of their dreams.

**From page 11 of 26 of Draft Designation Report: - DO NOT READ –REFERENCE ONLY**

***Integrity Assessment***

*The house has been altered since it was originally constructed in c. 1836. The location of the building has remained the same since it was constructed on the site. There has been alteration to the setting. The original 40-acre site has been reduced to 2-acres; however, vegetation and trees do buffer some of the mid-20th century development around the site.*

*Built as Federal-style structure, it does have visible evidence of the Craftsman-style updates that is unrelated to the period of significance related to Dr. Powell and Bishop Smith (1836 – 1860). Most noticeably are the additions of porches to the north and south elevations, as well as the brackets on the side elevations under the eaves. Also, the roof line has been modified with the addition of dormers on both the front and rear elevations. Modifications to windows and openings on the south elevation have also occurred. A frame side addition in a bay form was likely added in the late-19th century. This addition appears to have been enlarged and modified at some point. It no longer retains the eave detail shown in the historic photographs. The original Federal-period entrances on the north and south elevation are intact. Original windows are intact in several window openings. The immediate setting of the domestic yard includes a modern-day swimming pool. Bishop Smith's study, which was related to the Kalorama School, was removed from the site.*

***Integrity Assessment (Continued)***

*In sum, the Powell-Smith House retains integrity of location and materials to support the historic significance of the structure, as it relates to its association with changing land use patterns along Bardstown Road, in Louisville. The building was not considered for integrity of craftsmanship since it does not represent any particular innovation in construction. The site has a diminished integrity of setting due to the reduction of the parcel over time to represent the early suburban development. **The house to certain degree it has lost integrity for design, feeling, and association due to the Craftsman architectural style alterations that impact the reading of the original Federal style of the dwelling. Additionally, the removal of Bishop Smith's study (intact at another location) from the site impacts the feeling and association with Smith's use of the property as a private school (Kalorama).***

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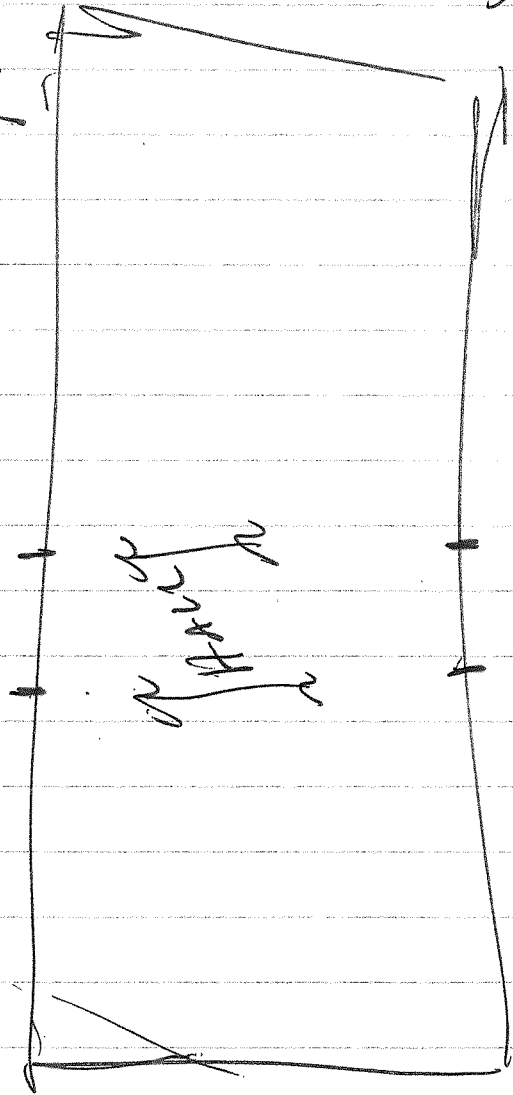


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ENTRANCE FACADE  
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- FORMAL

CA: MONTICELLO,  
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LOCUST GROVE

THE SOUTHERN  
PLANTATION HOME



"ENTERTAINMENT FACADE"  
- PARTIES, FAMILY GATHERING SPACES  
EVENING RELAXATION

OUTBUILDINGS

OUTBUILDINGS  
- LUXE CARRIAGE HOUSE

VISTA

- GARDENS, FIELDS, WATER FEATURES, ETC.

After I saw the interior pictures of the Tremont house, I realized that the inside doorways of my house, pictured above, are exactly the same. My house, built around 1908, is also solid brick. I do not believe that the doorways in an 1836 house would match mine. Further proof that 2833 Tremont is not that old.

