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TO: The Evanston Preservation Commission
DATE: February 2009
RE: 1501 Forest Avenue

The Southeast Evanston Association (SEA) wholeheartedly and unequivocally opposes the intent and proposal set forth by the Clements for the designated Evanston landmark property at 1501 Forest Avenue.

The Clements' proposal includes:

- Demolition of a portion of this historic home.
- Subdivision of existing lot into two lots.
- Relocation of the remaining portion of the home to another location.

SEA believes that these steps would be detrimental to the character and integrity of the neighborhood, and would set a negative precedent for future development agendas in the Lakeshore Historic District.

SEA is an organization of over 100 residents in Southeast Evanston dedicated to preserving the essentially residential character of that portion of Evanston through citizen participation in city planning and zoning.

SEA strongly urges the Commission to deny the Clements' request.