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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2138

I was alerted to this bill by my neighborhood association, with an urgent request for us to testify against it. I live in a historic district that prevents teardowns, and I love the character of the neighborhood and we have gone to great lengths (and expense) to restore our lovely 1916 Craftsman home. But there are more important things in this world than historic homes, and that includes affordable housing for all. These lovely old sprawling lots in the middle of the city with beautiful homes like mine are exactly what is keeping poor people out of transit-friendly housing in our city. I want to see us sacrifice the character of my neighborhood to bring everyone in. People are what make cities great, not single-family houses.

Please support our city and take the historic district away from my NIMBY neighbors. Support HB 2138.