

THE BOWERY BALLROOM

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To Whom it may concern,

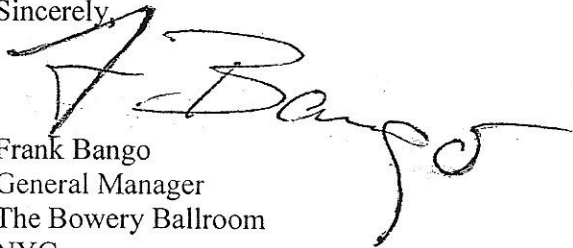
As manager of the Bowery Ballroom I strongly endorse The East Bowery Preservation Plan of the Bowery Alliance of Neighbors which would extend the low-rise zoning of The Bowery's west side to it's endangered east side and in so doing help protect the area's historic buildings..

In the music domain alone there is a rich and colorful history of people and places on The Bowery - from the 5 Spot jazz cafe to CBGB and the Bowery Ballroom. Musicians include, but are by no means limited to, such notables as Irving Berlin, Stephen Foster, Mike Bloomfield, Michael Brecker, and Bela Bartok.

The recent influx of high rise development threatens The Bowery's Lighting, Restaurant Supply and Jewelry Districts, as well as long time residents, and low-rise historic buildings.

We don't want to lose The Bowery's rich and colorful cultural history.

Sincerely,



Frank Bango
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