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Amanda Burden
City Planning Commission
22 Reade Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: East Bowery Preservation Effort

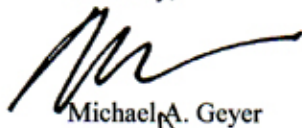
Dear Ms. Burden,

We strongly endorse the effort under way to preserve what remains of the east frontage of The Bowery. As former residents of NoHo – we moved to Bond Street in 1979 when the area was still credibly the Bowery and stayed for 30 years – we know the area well. During those decades we developed a deep appreciation for the area and its history. As active participants and leaders of the effort to designate NoHo as an Historic District we came to understand the forces at work, and the struggle that City agencies face when making tough decisions on preservation issues.

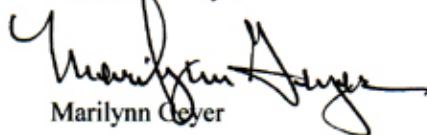
In our view the campaign to Save the Bowery deserves the support of all New Yorkers. Its incredibly rich cultural history as home to generations of New York's creative spirits, housed in a strikingly diverse historic building fabric is unique in the city – unique in this country.

Preserving such an asset for future generations is a worthy cause that we support with enthusiasm.

Sincerely,



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