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

Dear Ms. Burden,

In order to protect the low-rise character and well-established commerce of the Bowery (including its lighting, jewelry, and restaurant supply districts), I strongly endorse the East Bowery Preservation Plan.

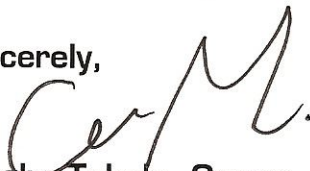
Because both sides of the Bowery have historic importance and contain buildings averaging about four or five stories, it makes sense that its east side should have the same low-rise zoning that protects the Bowery's west side.

While I respect the City's efforts to increase tourism and commerce in this area, the city should be careful that it does not destroy the existing, long-established businesses of the Bowery.

Likewise, it should be careful that it does not destroy the very characteristics that made it an attraction to begin with. Cities like Paris exclude skyscrapers from historic districts. Our town should do the same.

Save the Bowery!

Sincerely,



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