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Dear Board Members,

I was disappointed to see that the latest proposal for 10546 Lansing Street did not address all of the board's recommendations.

As discussed at the October MHRB meeting, by removing the structure's barn door and creating another typical storefront, these plans fail to retain the building's core historic character as a former livery and barn, whose existence dates back 115 to 126 years or more (Sverko files, p. B-22)

Across this country—in urban and rural settings alike—there are endless examples of barn and mill building conversions that have created contemporary, practical spaces while preserving the historic character and charm of these structures. It would be tragic if the century-old barn in our village, situated in the very center of a National Historic district, failed to receive the same care in preserving its own unique character and charm.

Respectfully yours, John Cavanaugh