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## Dear Lanning Blaser,

We are writing to express our support for the request to update the property at 100 Gibbon Street, including window and shutter replacement, and to add a pergola on the back patio.

Fern and David Jaffe are new to our block, but have already begun beautifying their property with abundant native plantings. We enjoy seeing the new plants come to life this Spring, and have joined the neighbors in remarking how lovely it is to see their property being so beautifully maintained. No doubt the pergola will enhance the property's beauty as well, and provide a habitat for more plants and pollinators.

The window and shutter replacements are necessary upkeep for our homes that are now about 55 years old. Most of the homes on our block have done the same. And with the parking challenges we now have in Southeast Old Town, the pergola/carport will provide a critical benefit to our neighbors. We appreciate that the Jaffes have gone through the appropriate channels for approval, and have been clear and upfront with neighbors about their plans to improve and maintain their property. We wholeheartedly support our neighbors' petition.

Kind Regards,

Robert and Catherine Poulin 102 Gibbon Street

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