

January 7, 2023

Mary O'Neil
Department of Permitting & Inspections
City of Burlington

Cc: Joe Magee
Perri Freeman
Mayor Miro Weinberger

Re: Support for the former Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Dear Mary and the Development Review Board,

Please save and find a new purpose for the former Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and the surrounding grounds. It's a beautiful part of our downtown landscape.

From both climate and solid waste perspectives, new buildings are harder on the planet to build than buildings that are already built. And this one is has a lot more to offer to the community than simply avoiding the construction of another building.

I am a long-time Burlington resident (Ward 1), and I'm also on the Board of the historic Champlain Club (former German Club) on Crowley St. (Ward 3). Interesting, thoughtful, diverse, and historic downtown architecture matters... and this property qualifies in all respects. Thank you for considering saving and reusing this building.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charlene Wallace". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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