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**SUPPORT for Raised Bill No. 330
AN ACT CONCERNING DEMOLITION PERMITS**

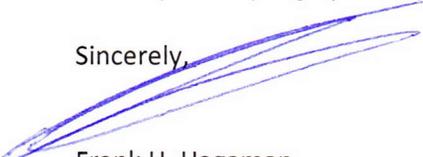
To: The Hon. Catherine A. Osten, Co-Chair, The Hon. Philip J. Miller, Co-Chair, The Hon. Steve Cassano, Vice-Chair, The Hon. Michael D'Agastino, Vice-Chair, The Honorable William Aman, Ranking Member, The Hon. Art Linares, Ranking Member and the members of the Planning and Development Committee

The Hartford Preservation Alliance urges your support of Raised Bill No. 330, specifically the addition of Section 29-406 (c) that would prohibit any partial demolition of a building or structure during a required waiting period.

The City of Hartford has a mandatory 90-day waiting period for demolitions. This ordinance has been invaluable to its citizens in that it allows the possibility for saving and making alternate use of structures that may be significant not only to its neighborhood but to the city as a whole. The partial destruction of buildings covered in the waiting period not only violates that spirit of the law but can cause unnecessary additional expense if an alternative use is found for the structure.

We respectfully urge your support of the legislation.

Sincerely,



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