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City of Detroit  
Historic District Commission  
2 Woodward, Suite 808  
Detroit, MI 48226

**RE: Application Number 23-8396; 2405 Burns Street; Indian Village Historic District**

TO WHOM IT CONCERN,

I HAVE REVIEWED THE NOTICE OF DENIAL SENT TO MR. PAUL SHUERT DATED 6-20-23 AND WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON THE REMOVAL OF PAINT FROM THE BRICK WALLS. THE EXISTING PAINT WAS REMOVED TO EXPOSE THE MORTAR JOINTS SO THE HOUSE COULD BE 100% TUCKPOINTED TO HELP STOP WATER INFILTRATION. ALSO, IDEALLY BRICK MASONRY IS LEFT UNCOATED WITH ITS NATURAL PROPERTIES AS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED AND DESIGNED. I HAVE VISITED THE SITE IN QUESTION AND DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE HAS BEEN ANY HARM OR DAMAGE TO THE EXISTING BRICK CAUSED FROM REMOVING THE PAINT AS STATED IN THE NOTICE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS OR COMMENTS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME.

Sincerely,



Mike Olsen  
Project Manager