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To the members of LaCrosse City Council,

My name is Paula Bloom. I own a home in La Crosse. My Home is very close to the South branch library. I lived in La Crosse my whole life. Myself and my siblings all attended Central high school. As young children, we all had the benefit of using the south branch library. As did my daughter and my grandchildren. This is an important and beloved building and area in our city. And to have the mayor dismiss what the citizens want is not only saddening, but is disgusting.

I am appalled to hear our mayor, Mitch Reynolds is appealing the Historic Landmark Designation of the South Branch Library. And I strongly object to the mayors appeal of this designation. We had 540 signatures to repurpose the building. The Heritage Preservation Commission agreed that the building should be a historic landmark. Appealing the EDC vote to sell the Library site to Willow Grove LLC to become apartments and townhouses.

I believe the Historic Landmark Designation should be upheld. As citizens, our votes should count. As citizens, our signatures should count.

Thank you
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