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November 21, 2022

City of Hartford Historic Preservation Commission c/o Planning Division 260 Constitution Plaza Hartford, CT 06103

RE: 151 Ward Street - Proposed Demolition of Deborah Chapel

Dear Chair Jahnke and Commissioners:

Please take note that on November 1, 2022 the Appellate Court for the State of Connecticut entered an order dismissing the appeal filed in CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL v. HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD (AC 44601). With the appeal now dismissed, the Judgment of Judge Thomas Moukawsher stands (Judgment attached hereto). Therefore, within 60 days of November 21, 2022 the Historic Preservation Commission is ordered to grant the application for approval of demolition of the Ward Street property.

The Court Order does allow that the approval of the application can be made subject to "any of the conditions proposed in the motion the commission rejected along with a possible reasonable time restriction for the creation of the proposed memorial garden...."

Very truly yours.

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO. HHD-CV-19-6112179-S

SUPERIOR COURT

JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

701 Farmington Avenue

West Hartford, CT 06119 : OF HARTFORD

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD
c/o HARTFORD CITY CLERK

550 Main Street #1 Hartford, CT 06103

VS.

MARCH 2, 2021

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JUDGMENT

Present: Honorable Thomas G. Moukawsher

This action, by nature of an appeal of a decision by the defendant, the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Hartford (commission), denying an application for demolition came to this court on June 25, 2019; and thence to August 28, 2020, when the Commission filed an answer; and thence to later dates when the parties appeared and were at issue as on file.

The Court, having heard the parties, and for the reasons stated in its March 2, 2021 order, reversed the decision of the commission and remanded the matter to the commission with instructions "to grant the permit within no more than sixty (60) days of this [court's] decision, subject, if the Commission chooses, to any of the conditions proposed in the motion the commission rejected along with a possible reasonable time restriction for the creation of the proposed memorial garden"

WHEREUPON, it is adjudged that the decision of the commission is reversed and remanded.

By the Court,

A. Bowker, court officer