Public comment received for the Blakemore Street historic district



PS Re: SUPPORT Blakemore Historic District

From aw/SoLo <awfromhh8@gmail.com>

Date Thu 8/7/2025 11:40 AM

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PS - We would request that the remaining integral components of 6657-59 Blakemore St. adjoining the remaining adjacent property be designated contributing as discussed and voted by the designation committee. - SoLo

On Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 10:24 PM aw/SoLo < <u>awfromhh8@gmail.com</u>> wrote: SUPPORT Blakemore Historic District

below and attached

SoLo/Germantown Civic Association (*RCO)
Southwest Central Lower Germantown
CLEAN GREEN SAFE

"Preserving the History and Character of Germantown"

Dr. Jonathan E. Farnham email <u>preservation@phila.gov</u> Executive Director
Philadelphia Historical Commission
1515 Arch St., 13th Flr.
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Date Aug. 5, 2025

Re: Support Blakemore Street Historic District

Dear Dr. Farnham and Commissioners:

On Friday, August 8, 2025, the Philadelphia Historical Commission will consider whether to add the Blakemore Street Historic District to the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places. SoLo/Germantown Civic Assoc. fully supports this nomination to the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places. We strongly encourage you to support this designation as well.

We thank the nominator, The Keeping Society of Philadelphia, for identifying these worthy buildings and once again thank Oscar Beisert for writing a complete nomination detailing why they are worthy. We appreciate and thank him for his hard work and long hours of research that went into the nomination in order to bring it to the Commission for designation.

The striking row of Tudor Revival buildings adds to the varied historic character of East Mount Airy and nearby Germantown. We believe this district nomination is worthy and deserves recognition as a district and the recognition and protection accorded to all properties listed on the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places. We opine that the important building at 6657-59 Blakemore St., recently acquired by the Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA), one of the Lower Germantown Properties foreclosed by the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority (PRA), was demolished and not included. The row/district was intact at the time the nomination was submitted.

We support the nomination and hope it will be added to the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

Allison Weiss-Pamela Bracey-Brenda Cherry

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6657-6659

From Renee Mills <rmills@eastmtairyneighbors.org>

Date Thu 8/7/2025 11:53 AM

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Good morning,

My name is Renee A. Mills, block captain of the 500 block of Vernon Road, VP of East My Airy Neighbors and a very concerned citizen regarding the historical preservation of 6657-6659 Blakemore Street. please reserve the retainer wall/steps of 6661 also. Thank you.

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