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Honorable Scott Myers  
Dover City Councilors  
City Hall  
Dover, New Hampshire

RE: Butterfield Building

Mayor & Councilors,

I understand that the authorization for funding for the structural repairs to the Butterfield Building is on this week's agenda. My wife and I will be on vacation and will be unable to attend the council meeting. However, I have a statement, which I would like to become part of the record.

There are three main reasons why I support the funding of the repairs.

1. The Butterfield Building is a city asset and has a historically significant meaning for the city. No matter what the proposed use, the city has an obligation to itself to maintain its assets in excellent condition.
2. Major components of the building are the equipment and locker rooms for the indoor pool. Demolition of the building would require the replacement of these spaces at considerable cost.
3. The city has contractual obligations to several entities considering this building. The Henry Law trust, the state of New Hampshire, the Children's Museum, the residents of Dover.

For those reasons and many more, which I am sure you will hear, I urge the Council to fulfill its obligations and preserve the city's history and riverside character by funding the necessary repair to the structure of this interesting and useful old building.

Sincerely



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Otis E. Perry', is written over a long horizontal line that spans across the bottom of the page.

Otis E. Perry