



SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

December 5, 2018

STATEMENT:

TO: Michael Guarino, Chair, and Members
Historic and Design Review Commission, City of San Antonio

RE: Agenda Item No. 9 – 139 East Commerce Street
HDRC Case No.2018-256

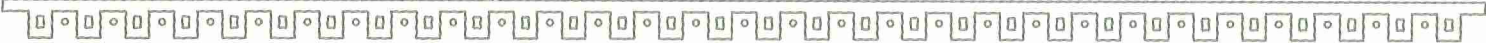
The San Antonio Conservation Society supports the proposal to rebuild and reuse the historic stone retaining wall along the River Walk as part of the new Floodgate development. We would urge the applicant to consider a rebuilding scheme that maintains the continuity of the lower, westerly portion of the wall rather than one pierced by multiple openings. A continuous low wall better reflects the historic character of the retaining wall. Moreover, a separation between the wall and the entrance, would both reinforce the historic function of the wall while providing a clearer indication of the entrance to the hotel.

Respectfully,

SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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