



SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

March 20, 2019

STATEMENT:

TO: Historic and Design Review Commission, City of San Antonio

RE: Agenda Item No. 28 – 517 Labor
HDRC Case No.: 2019-124, Lavaca Historic District

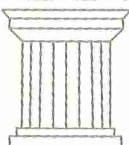
The San Antonio Conservation Society is opposed to the demolition of 517 Labor. This is a small vernacular home typical of the Lavaca Historic District. It is disturbing that it is proposed to be replaced with a prefab “tiny home” when in fact it already is a tiny home. Moreover, the cost of demolition, followed by new construction – even prefab, is likely greater than the cost of rehabilitating the original floor plan of the existing house. If approved, a bad precedent will be set for the use of prefab utility structures, as infill, in a historic district. For these reasons we oppose demolition.

Respectfully submitted,

SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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