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Hello Robin,

I am writing to express my concern about the potential demolition of the East Seattle School building. I grew up across the street from the school and attended elementary school there, as did my siblings and also my mother and aunt and uncles. Even as a child I sensed that it was a special building and have always believed that it should be preserved. I believe that the building and the site has great value as a historical and cultural landmark, not just for Mercer Island, but for the greater King County. Mercer Island does not have any shortage of new high priced homes, but it does not have many of the historical sites that are important to a community and also to future generations. There are also two unique trees on the site that should be preserved as well. I truly hope that the City of Mercer Island will be forward thinking and will consider the preservation of the school and the site for posterity's sake.

Sincerely,

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