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Mayor Tornek and City Council Members
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91101

RE: Support for Landmark Designation for 464 East Walnut Street (First Congregation Church of Pasadena)

Dear Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers:

Pasadena Heritage appreciates the opportunity to submit this letter in support of the Landmark designation for the First Congregational Church of Pasadena located at 464 E. Walnut St. We were initially concerned when news of the property's sale surfaced earlier this year, but are now very pleased that the owner is pursuing Landmark status for this locally significant property. We have met with the owner, toured the church, and offered advice, assistance, and referrals at our disposal to help with its adaptive re-use.

We have reviewed the staff report and concur that the property satisfies local Landmark Criterion "C" as an excellent example of a Gothic Revival ecclesiastical building designed by master architects H. M. Patterson and Leon Caryl Brockway and built between 1927 and 1928. We also agree that the building retains sufficient integrity to convey its architectural associations. Therefore, Pasadena Heritage hopes that the City Council will approve the designation, per the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Sincerely yours,

Susan N. Mossman
Executive Director

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Preservation Director