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MEMORANDUM

TO: New Bedford City Council

FROM: Anne Louro, Preservation Planner

DATE: October 5, 2016

RE: **BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW**
149 Allen Street (Map 41, Lot 147)
Late 19th century wood-framed barn/garage structure

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In accordance with the requirements of the New Bedford City Code, Article XI, Section 2-157 Demolition of Buildings, the Preservation Planner, designated to act on behalf of the New Bedford Historical Commission, has examined the structure located at the above-captioned site in order to determine its historical significance and whether it is in the public interest to preserve such structure.

Having reviewed the application for demolition I offer the following findings and recommendation in this matter to the New Bedford City Council:

- The property is not located in a National Register Historic District.
- The barn/garage structure is in poor condition due to extensive deferred maintenance. Restoration or preservation efforts would be impractical due to the existing condition of the structure.

In light of these findings, the Preservation Planner has determined that the barn/garage structure at 149 Allen Street is neither a Historically Significant nor a Preferably Preserved structure.

The Council may wish to note that the owner additionally intends to demolish a small wood-framed addition from 1942 at the rear of the main structure on this lot. Because that building addition is *not* seventy-five (75) years old, it is not subject to the Demolition Delay Ordinance and is therefore not included in this determination.

cc. Waterfront Historic Area League, Property Owner
Department of Inspectional Services
Mayor's Office
Councilor Kerry Winterson
New Bedford Historical Commission