

**THE NEW YORK
LANDMARKS
CONSERVANCY**

July 25, 2018

Hon. Frederick Bland, Acting Chair
Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building
1 Centre Street, 9th floor
New York, NY 10007

Re: Gowanus Rezoning

Dear Fred:

The Conservancy has listened to the local community and believes that there are a good number of sites in the Gowanus neighborhood that merit landmark status, some are standouts. We urge you to review and calendar these important historic resources in the neighborhood before it is too late:

Gowanus Flushing Tunnel Pump House, 209 Douglass Street
ASPCA Memorial Building, 233 Butler Street
Gowanus Water Distribution Station, 234 Butler Street
Brooklyn Rapid Transit Powerhouse, 322 3rd Avenue
S.W. Bowne Grain Storehouse, 595-611 Smith Street
American Can Factory, 232 3rd Street
Norge Sailmakers Building, 170 2nd Avenue
383 Carroll Street
T.H. Roulston Inc., 61A 9th Street
Our Lady of Peace Church Complex, 522 Carroll Street
505 Carroll Street
Planet Mills Building, 376 President Street
National Packing Box Company, 543 Union Street
Union Street Bridge Control Tower, Union Street
Warehouse at 129-131 8th Street
Flats building at 57 3rd Street

The Gowanus neighborhood is an important reminder of Brooklyn's mighty industrial and commercial heritage. Any changes to the zoning must take into consideration the area's history and preserve the important surviving historic buildings in the area. The LPC, as always, must

strive to achieve the balance between preservation and growth. The Conservancy, as always would be happy to discuss our list of worthy buildings with you and the staff.

Sincerely,



Peg Breen
President

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The Gowanus Coalition