

# Dear City Council Speaker Christine Quinn:

Only **YOU** can protect our neighborhood.

**PLEASE** vote **NO** on the proposed Hudson Square Rezoning **UNLESS** the City keeps its promise to landmark the South Village.

**Sincerely,**

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The City Council will vote soon on a developer-requested rezoning of Hudson Square, which will greatly increase development pressure on the adjacent, low-rise, historic South Village.

More than four years ago, the City promised to consider the entire South Village for landmark designation. It has not, and as a result more and more buildings are being demolished, with towers up to 18 stories planned in their place. Demolitions have increased in anticipation of a possible rezoning. If the rezoning passes without landmark protections for the South Village, this neighborhood will suffer irreversible damage.

The rezoning must be approved by the City Council. Speaker Quinn has the power to tell the City that she will not approve it unless long-promised landmark protections are granted to the South Village.

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