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To: Cc: Stephanie Hartwig Gerald Hartwig

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RE: Development Variance Permit Application NO. 00169 -534 Pandora

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## To Whom it May Concern,

As property owners for 529 Pandora Ave- BC Produce Building, We strongly oppose allowing a Development Variance on permit application No. 00169 for property known at 534 Pandora Ave because Retail on a ground floor is in important to the viability of street. The city should not allow dead zones on a street. People want to be able to go from shop to shop, If they do not see a store next to another store they stop walking. This in turn hurts merchants on both sides of the building. Pandora has been a dead zone for years and it's nice to finally see investment into the area and for the street to become lively again. This however will not happen if we allow residential on the ground floor.

I do feel if they did small micro sized retail shops on the ground floor they would be most successful. Again, We strongly oppose this variance.

Stephanie Hartwig Hartwig Investments