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The Denver Turnverein
1570 Clarkson Street
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RE: The Denver Turnverein – Letter of Support; Historic Preservation Grants

Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods, Inc. (“CHUN”), Denver’s oldest, largest registered neighborhood organization (RNO), is excited to support the continued preservation and revitalization of the **Denver Turnverein** located at 1570 Clarkson Street in Denver.

The Denver Turnverein is a cherished dance hall and social center that enriches the lives of many residents who live within CHUN’s geographic boundaries and beyond. In recognition of their contribution to neighborhoods, our board recently awarded the Denver Turnverein one of our inaugural S.E.E.D. Awards for xeriscaping—a project they call “Greenverein”—to beautify their intersection and enhance the Uptown neighborhood.

It has been brought to our attention that the Turnverein’s board of directors has applied for a grant from History Colorado to fund necessary maintenance to this historic building. **We are submitting this letter in support of the Turnverein’s request to restore this iconic building, which we understand has historic status.** CHUN supports the preservation of historic buildings and cultural amenities, and we are delighted to support the Turnverein’s board in pursuing funding.

CHUN’s mission is *Preserving the Past, Improving the Present, and Planning for the Future of Greater Capitol Hill* through historic preservation, affordable housing and tackling homelessness, promoting smart land use and zoning, advancing public safety, and encouraging community enhancements through volunteerism and civic engagement. For more than 50 years, our organization has worked to preserve historic assets and activate community spaces. **We are excited to see this project through to completion.**

On behalf of CHUN, thank you for considering our heartfelt support of the Denver Turnverein.

Sincerely,

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