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To the Committee on the widening of Front St.

Gentlemen

I have conferred with Miss Sarah A. E. Pear, owner of the estate numbered twenty eight, on Front Street, as to what proposition, if any, she would make to the City in regard to the taking of a portion of her land for the purpose of widening said street on the southerly side.

We understand that the plan contemplates the taking of a strip from the front end of the lot of land referred to, of about six feet in width, or to within about one and a half feet of the dwelling house, without disturbing any part of the buildings thereon, and that there is a possibility that the grade of the street in front of said premises being raised about one and a half feet, above its present level.

Recognizing the desirability of carrying forward the great public improvement contemplated in the building of the bridge, and the construction of proper avenues leading thereto, we desire to meet the City in a fair and equitable spirit and thus far aid in the carrying out of this important project.

Representing Miss Pear in this matter we propose that the City take the strip of land, as proposed, and pay to the owner a fair price for the same, also any damage to the estate caused by the changing of the grade of the street,

the removal of fences, or any other damage consequent to the taking.

If the amount of damage which may be awarded by the City should not be satisfactory to us we will agree to submit the question of damage to three disinterested persons, who shall be selected in the usual manner, and after a fair hearing given to all parties concerned, will abide by their decision, conditional upon the speedy carrying out of the project.

Yours Respectfully

Isaac S. Pear

for Miss Sarah A. E. Pear

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