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## Statement by Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. on Landmarks Preservation Commission Denying Neir's Tavern Landmark Status

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"Neir's Tavern is a staple of our community that helped build the history of Woodhaven and shape the neighborhood into what it is today. While the rest of the city is busy expanding and developing, it is important that we remember the structures that tell the story of Queens, and it is our responsibility to protect and preserve them. Landmarking the more than 180-year-old tavern would ensure the building and its surroundings will remain unchanged and safe from developers for years to come. Neir's is already a landmark as far as the people of Queens, especially Woodhaven, are concerned, but it deserves the respect of being officially named as one by the City. I urge the Landmarks Preservation Commission to rethink its decision and to do what is right by doing its part to help protect Neir's Tavern."