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**From:** Christine West <cw@kitearchitects.com>  
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**Subject:** Christine West FOR House Bill No. 5458

I am writing in support of House Bill #5458 repealing the sunset of the Historic Tax Credit. This program has been an instrumental tool to retain the historic architecture that makes our State a unique and appealing place to live and work, but also competitive with other states in attracting investments.

For our architecture firm's clients, it has made the difference on whether projects such as The Dean Hotel happen at all. The impact of the HTC is felt not only in the design and construction jobs it helps create immediately, but for the long-term tax potential of the durable assets and thriving businesses it creates.

It is a proven and responsible part of our economic development toolkit and should not be allowed to expire. Thank you for your consideration.

-Christine M. West

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