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PRESS RELEASE

On December 27, 2022, an Order of Emergency Abatement was signed by a City of Malden Building Commissioner regarding an unoccupied building located at 100 S. Madison St., Malden, MO. (formally the Pizza Express restaurant). Unfortunately, the building has deteriorated substantially in recent years and now presents a considerable safety issue.

Although this building is of historical importance to the City of Malden, it cannot be repaired or saved in its current condition. Due to the risk that has been created, it falls upon the City of Malden to use City funds to demolish this building.

It is unfortunate the downtown area is losing another building due to a lack of care and maintenance. However, the City cannot allow the building to continue to deteriorate and become more of a safety concern for the citizens that walk or drive on South Madison and East Main Streets, as well as the adjoining properties.

The City is currently obtaining information from structural engineers to create a plan of action. Once more information is received, it will be released to the public.

Please note the building at 100 S. Madison St., Malden, MO is condemned and no entry is permitted. Persons seen entering and/or exiting the building may be charged due to the dangerous nature of the structure.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Denton Kooyman".

Denton Kooyman, Mayor