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I give my whole-hearted support to the concept of the new home for the Island Moving Company on Broadway in Newport RI, at the site of the former Triplett School. The IMC is a well-loved and well-respected Newport gem, and this proposed project would give them a permanent place to grow and flourish. It's a win-win for everyone – the city, IMC, the neighbors, our children, and arts patrons.

This site has been sitting unused for quite a few years, and to have the IMC move into the neighborhood would be a real boon. Additionally, the arts and cultural programs and performances that IMC proposes to offer, both themselves and with various partners, will enhance not only our neighborhood, but also the entire City of Newport.

From what I can tell, the proposed new construction will include adequate parking facilities (with a plan for overflow parking), a well-designed and welcoming building that will fit into the neighborhood, landscaping to provide a visual and sound barrier for the immediate neighbors, and the creation and maintenance of a much-needed public pocket park on Broadway.

I and many who live in the neighborhood welcome the IMC and feel their presence in our neighborhood will add to the dynamic and exciting improvement of the area. Plus, as more and more development takes place, carving out public green spaces makes all the sense in the world!

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To Whom This May Concern,

My name is Jill Reynolds. I am the owner of Curl Up & Dye located at 445 Broadway. I just wanted to let you know I/We support The Island Moving Company moving/renovating Their new space on Broadway. We are excited to see Broadway grow and be successful. I just hope you all can look around and see what we have all done to redo Broadway into what it has become. I believe in Broadway and I always have! Can't wait for new neighbors and hopefully new clients too.

Jill Reynolds

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