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Apts 24 and 74 The Astor 123-125 Macquarie Street Sydney

Mr Jim Betts Secretary of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Submitted via the major projects web portal

Attention: Karl Fetterplace

Objection to SSDA 34196 50-52 Phillip Street New Hotel/Residential Building Stage 1 Concept DA

I have some comments on the above proposal currently on public exhibition.

I am a resident of The Astor, and a fan of a hotel with public bars and restaurants based around 50-52 Phillip Street and Philip Lane. I worry about the current proposal for a couple of reasons:

1. Proximity to the Western Apartments of The Astor

I own 2 apartments on the Western side of The Astor. I am conscious that a new building even closer to the Astor than the current building alignment will be confronting and may impact privacy. I would prefer the alignment of the new building to be set back another few metres from the lane than planned.

2. Congestion, noise and safety in Phillip Lane

I'd support remodelling of Phillip Lane for shared passenger car and pedestrian access for nearby residents and hotel guests, but the prospect of increasing commercial traffic to the new development being funnelled into this narrow space is unworkable and objectionable.

I object to the plan for location of the loading dock and suggest that commercial traffic should access the development from Phillip St.

I see merit in the application but not in its current form given the issues outlined above.

Yours sincerely manik white

Brian White