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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**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above proposal currently on public exhibition. I object to the proposal for the following reasons:

**1. Heritage impacts on 50 Phillip Street**

I am not opposed to the conservation and adaptive reuse of the former Public Works building at 50 Phillip Street but the way the proposed tower cantilevers over 50 Phillip Street is inappropriate and badly detracts from and diminishes its heritage significance. I urge the Department to refuse the application. If the Department is instead of a mind to approve the application, I request it require the applicant to amend the design so that its tower does not overhang 50 Phillip Street.

**2. Place of Employment.**

I have worked in the Astor as House manager for mor than 10 years am strongly disturbed when I consider the impacts that this development will have on the Astor. Access to the Asor Loading Dock will be severely impacted, traffic which is already at a level that is beyond the capacity of Phillip Lane will add an additional impractical burden.

Given the number of impacts and their seriousness I strongly urge the Department to refuse the application.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments.

Yours sincerely

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