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Subject: 649 Palmarito Ct. - Coral Gables
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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Board,

I wish to express my support in granting historical significance of **649 Palmarito Court**. This is one of the earliest Colonial Revival homes built in Coral Gables designed by William Shanklin, an architect whose other residences have garnered historical status in Coral Gables.

I also value the Simpson family legacy and their story. It's exciting to learn of all the society events they held at their home, including something that is much needed these days, sitting down for tea and coffee and appreciating the value of conservation and history. Mrs. Simpson was a staunch advocate of this premise, and often visited Fort Dallas in her time to acknowledge what once was.

Where are the gardens of yesterday? How will we find them if they get cut and torn down?

This home is in an often overlooked section of the city surrounding the winding University Drive and Riviera Drive intersection, in addition to the overlooked 'White Way Lights'. One of my favorite homes sits nearby at 711 University Dr., this area needs to maintain and preserve our heritage.

Thank you,
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Respectfully,
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