

ab

ADRIANA BARBASCH *architect* P.C.
390 WARREN AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14217-2938
TEL. (716) 875-8551 voice and fax

R&F

RECEIVED
ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE
December 9, 1998
1999 JAN -5 P 3:00

The Hon. Charles M. Swanick
Chairman of the Erie County Legislature
25 Delaware Avenue, 7th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Mr. Swanick:

I am pleased to inform you that **THE SCHOOL HOUSE COMMONS** project for the Renovation of School No. 42, 1005 Grant Street, Buffalo NY has won **Honorable Mention for Adaptive Reuse** in the American Institute of Architects Buffalo/WNY Chapter **1998 HONOR AWARDS PROGRAM**.

The Awards were given for design projects of built environment which have been opened since January 1, 1994. The criteria for selection in the order of importance were:

(1) The completed project as a direct response to a client problem or expressed need. This consideration to incorporate such factors as budget, site constraints, schedule, energy conservation, use of existing building fabric, human relationships and other specific elements of design. (2) the environment created by the complete project, the experiential qualities sought and achieved in the design, and (3) The project form as architectural design.

The Design Awards Jury's comments on this submission include:

"Successful multi-use community integration ... Wonderful project considering SHPO constraints, with no (Code) variances ..."

We are grateful for the appreciation of our hard work, enjoy the recognition of our peers, and thank those who have contributed to the realization of this project.

The School House Commons marks another achievement in preserving the buildings of the past, while converting them for new life. It has become a very positive element in the Black Rock neighborhood. I hope you are pleased with the results.

Very truly yours,

Adriana Barbarch

ADRIANA BARBASCH ARCHITECT P.C.
Adriana S. Barbarch, AIA
President

2M-4