

**EDGEWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
5358 N. Ashland Ave.
Chicago IL 60640**

July 9, 2008

Alderman Mary Ann Smith
5533 N. Broadway
Chicago IL 60640

Dear Mary Ann:

You were quoted in the June 4, 2008 issue of the *News Star* as having said the following at the 48th Ward Z&P committee meeting of May 28, 2008:

“if you want to be a viable historical society, you’ll sit down with banks and owners and become a viable organization.”

Since there is always the possibility that you were not quoted correctly, we wanted to give you the opportunity to correct the record. Were you quoted correctly? And if so, what did you mean by these remarks?

Secondly, although you did not promise us that you would support a Landmark district, you did promise us when we met with you on October 16, 2007, that you would insist that the house at 6018 N. Kenmore be designated as a Landmark by the City. You made that pledge without conditions. You also promised us that you would convey to the trustee and the proposed developer that you were personally opposed to the demolition of this orange-rated house.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Mayian
Acting President