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To Whom It May Concern:

I write in support of proposals to develop The Jewish Museum.

In a society such as ours where multi-culturalism has and will continue to play an inestimable role creatively and culturally, The Jewish Museum is of national importance.

The value of its collections, its educational programmes and engagement with a broader community cannot be over estimated.

The educational programmes, both in-house and outreach, have never been more important, combating as they do all forms of prejudice, be it cultural, religious or ethic.

And the museum's highly acclaimed Holocaust programmes seem even more vital in light of a recent national poll in which a startling percentage of young people had no idea who Hitler was.

In an age of instant communication it is all too easy to forget not only the distant past but our more recent history and also those individuals who helped to fashion our capital city. That is why the museum should be supported in its future plans, for we would be all the poorer if it did not exist.

Yours sincerely,

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