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Letter from Goddard to Baker

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HENRY W. GODDARD
REALTOR
243 Stark Street
Portland, Oregon

October 10, 1931

Honorable George L. Baker, Mayor
City of Portland
City Hall
City

My dear Mr. Baker:

It is with great pleasure that I read in the morning paper that your Honorable Body had finally decided the question of the location of the public market, putting it on the Front Street site.

By virtue of my position as Chairman of the Appraisal Committee of the Portland Realty Board, I have refrained from taking any part whatever in the controversy or expressing any opinion as we might be called upon to make an appraisal of the various sites. In fact, such was the case.

Now that the matter is settled, I would like to say that in numerous conversations with parties who might be interested, ever since this matter has been in controversy, I have not found anyone who was not in favor with the Front Street location except those in sympathy with the business interests adjacent to Fifth Street. I think you will find that your action will meet with the whole hearted approval of the City at large as those who would wish to patronize a west side market can do so without being caught in the congestion which now prevails in the neighborhood of Yamhill Street.

Yours very truly,

Henry W. Goddard

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