Gentlemen:

My 2023 Proposed Tax Statement arrived and was I shocked with the results. My property tax bill is proposed to increase by 19%. I am retired and on a fixed income and will be forced out of the City of St. Paul at this rate. I keep up my home and spend quite a bit of money for upkeep and improvements, only to be penalized because of where my home is located. This neighborhood is not one with mansions, only 3 br ramblers and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ story homes.

I am writing to ask you to reconsider your proposed tax increase for the coming year. I know that this is based on a budget proposal, so am asking you to be conservative and keep your budget increase to a minimum.

Thank you.

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