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Dear City of Saint Paul my name is Jason Korstad I have lived at 865 Ivy Street for over 13 years and my home is located down the alley from the subject property. I am the current "Alley Captain" meaning I was put in charge of making sure the alley gets plowed every winter between Clear and Ivy Street I collect the funds from the all the neighbors and pay for the snow plow service. I am writing this letter to also give my support to Charles Belcher owner of "Arcade Auto Body, LLC" applicant to add Second Hand Dealer and Mechanic License to his existing operation. One of the things I would like to mention is that he has dramatically improved the property at 1346 Arcade Street in the last 3 years he has owned it. It looks 100% better now compared to what it used to look like with the previous owner. He also helps take care of the intersecting alley with his own plow. I found him to be a positive active business owner neighbor willing to communicate and help out. I would also like to support him in adding these new licenses because I don't see any negative affect to his current business, only as an improvement. Adding the new licenses would give him more flexibility going forward to have sharp looking cars parked in the lot and in return it would be even more attractive so I am in full support of his application. He also does a good job in keeping his property and surrounding area very clean for example picking up trash and debris in the alley keeping it clean. His buisness never parks cars in alley only drives them in and out his building when needed and does a good job never to obstruct the alley. He also keeps his doors closed 95% when driving by. He is mindful of his neighbors and I hope he gets approved.

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