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Zoning Committee
Saint Paul Planning Commission
Saint Paul, MN 55102
PED-ZoningCommitteeSecretary@ci.stpaul.mn.us

Subject: Letter of Support for 83 Douglas Street Rezoning Application

Dear Zoning Committee and Planning Commission,

At its December 13, 2021 Board meeting, the West 7th / Fort Road Federation heard a proposal from Charles Stephens to rezone his property at 83 Douglas St. from R4 to RT2. The Board voted unanimously in favor of supporting the rezoning.

Charles' proposal for the site, assuming approval of the rezoning, is to build affordable housing for veterans in the form of four discrete "tiny homes" of about 550 square feet each. The lot is large enough for full off-street parking with alley access. Charles' proposal was particularly attractive to the Board because it adds density, provides much-needed affordable housing, and supports veterans, all while keeping the scale of the neighborhood.

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this matter.

If you have any questions, please contact our Executive Director, Mary Cutrufello, at 651.298.5599 or mary@fortroadfederation.org.

Thank you,

Dana DeMaster

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Board President

The Fort Road Federation coordinates participation in advocacy and planning and builds community connections for the residents, businesses, and nonprofit organizations of the West 7th neighborhood so that it is a place where people want to live, work, and play.