

January 11, 2023

Kady Dadlez, Senior City Planner
City of Saint Paul
Department of Planning and Economic Development
25 West Fourth Street, Suite 1400
Saint Paul, MN 55102

RE: Treehouse
Letter of Support for Land Use Approvals

Dear Kady,

With this letter I am pleased to provide my support for Trellis's planned Treehouse project located directly behind the Highland Chateau Health + Rehabilitation Center (aka, the Highland Chateau). My support is made of behalf of the Highland Chateau, which is owned by my organization.

As you may already know, the Highland Chateau has been located in the Highland Park Neighborhood for 50 years-plus and is a St. Paul landmark for providing rehabilitation and skilled nursing care to the community. Our comprehensive rehabilitation services include physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy. Our facility's amenities and services include:

- A beauty/barber shop
- Dining rooms on each level
- Contracted services with Veterans Affairs
- 24-hour skilled nursing care
- Daily activities such as art, music and social gatherings
- Housekeeping and laundry services and much more

The Treehouse property was up until recently owned by the Highland Chateau but was transferred to Trellis in order to complete their planned Treehouse project. The Highland Chateau sees many advantages to the planned project, specifically developing more housing options for the community members we serve and doing so directly adjacent to the Highland Chateau. While the Treehouse and Highland Chateau properties will continue to have separate ownership and management, we envision that future Treehouse residents will potentially utilize some of the services Highland Chateau offers such as housekeeping, laundry services and skilled care, all of which may allow residents to stay in their homes for longer periods of time and enhance their quality of life.

We believe the Treehouse project represents a unique opportunity to provide new affordable senior housing options in the community. Thank you for the opportunity to provide my support for the Treehouse project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Avi Katz', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Avi Katz
Highland Chateau Health + Rehabilitation Center