Mary and Les Cromey 1561 Chamber St. St. Paul, MN 55106

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Councilmember Dan Bostrom Ward 6, Saint Paul 15 Kellogg Blvd. West 320-B City Hall St. Paul, MN 55102

Dear Councilmember Bostrom:

We live on the corner of Chamber Street and Hoyt Avenue in your ward. In 1991 we paid assessments for street improvements on Hoyt. Chamber street was supposed to be done in the next couple of years. The City told us we would have to pay only for the work on Hoyt, not for Chamber as well.

We recently received a letter from the City telling us that Chamber street will be improved and we must pay assessments because it has been more than 20 years since the work on Hoyt. The improvements to Chamber street were continually delayed, and we were not told about a 20-year expiration.

Because the ownership of the other houses on this corner has changed since 1991, we are the only homeowners who will have to pay for both streets. The cost of the assessment is a large financial burden for us. This is not your problem, but I'm hoping you can help us with a reconsideration of the assessment. We have lived in our house for 46 years and have been proud and contributing residents of the East Side.

Sincerely,

Mary Cromey