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Council of The City of Saint Paul City Hall and Court House 15 West Kellogg Boulevard St. Paul, MN 55102

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of the update to The City of Saint Paul's Sustainable Building Policy ordinance. This policy addresses a need to provide support for a systems thinking approach to development projects through high performance building performance standards.

As a building science consultant I have collaborated with developers and builders on the testing verification and certification of buildings that meet and exceed the standards referenced in this policy and I can attest that benefits achieved lead to better buildings that are safe, durable, healthy, comfortable, efficient and that are better for the environment and the economy.

I encourage the Council of the City of Saint Paul to adopt this ordinance.

Sincerely,

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