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NOTICE TO CUT TALL GRASS AND/OR WEEDS

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IF THE GRASS AND/OR WEEDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CUT, THANK YOU AND PLEASE DISREGARD THIS NOTICE.

Dear Owner and/or Occupant:

We received a complaint of tall grass and/or weeds for this property address. The Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 45, requires property owners/occupants to keep the grass and/or weeds less than eight (8) inches in height. **This is your official notice to cut and remove tall grass, weeds and rank plant growth from your yard, the boulevard, and from the garage and/or alley areas.**

To ensure compliance with the ordinance, a Code Enforcement Officer will inspect the property after 72 hours from the postmark on this letter. If the grass and/or weeds are more than eight (8) inches, the Enforcement Officer will schedule a City work crew to immediately do the work. The cost of cutting the tall grass and/or weeds is **\$160.00 per hour plus expenses**, with a minimum charge of one (1) hour. Administrative costs are extra. This will be added to the special assessments against the property, to be paid with the Real Estate Taxes.

Your cooperation in cutting the grass and/or weeds will be appreciated by the people in your neighborhood. Let's all work together to make Saint Paul the best it can be! Please call the Code Enforcement area inspector

Craig Mashuga

at: **651-266-1909**

if you no longer own or occupy this property, if you are elderly or disabled and need help with cutting the grass, if you have any questions about this notice, or to discuss an extension of time for compliance.

The scheduled inspection date for your property is on or after: June 29, 2012

APPEALS: You may appeal this order and obtain a hearing before the City Council by completing an appeal application with the City Clerk immediately upon receipt of this letter. You may obtain an appeal application from the City Clerk's Office, Room 310, City Hall, St. Paul, MN 55102. The telephone number is (651) 266-8688. You must submit a copy of this Summary Abatement Notice with your appeal application.

***WARNING** Code inspection and enforcement trips cost the taxpayers money. If the violations are not corrected within the time period required in this notice, the city's costs in conducting a reinspection after the due date for compliance will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. If additional new violations are discovered within the next following 12 months, the city's costs in conducting additional inspections at this same location within such 12 months will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. Any such future costs will be collected by assessment against the real property and are in addition to any other fines or assessments which may be levied against you and your property.