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Subject: 2023 Mill and Overlay-Cretin/Bayard area

Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 5:04:21 PM

TO:

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From: Deborah Smith-Wright

552 Mount Curve Boulevard, Parcel ID 08-28-23-42-0048, File # MO2303

Dear Mayor Carter and the St Paul City Council,

I am the property owner at 552 Mount Curve Boulevard.

I am contacting you to object to the above assessment on the following grounds:

- 1. Milling and Overlay are street maintenance and thereby general government functions to be funded out of general tax revenues.
- 2. The Milling and Overlay assessment is in conflict with the 2016 Minnesota Supreme Court decision in the case of First Baptist Church of St. Paul, et al., vs City of St. Paul.
- 3. The Mill and Overlay work does not add additional value to the individual property. This assessment is therefore in conflict with the City Charter. See Judge Awsumb's ruling in City Court 2022.
- 4. Real estate taxes were increased because of these rulings to pay for street maintenance. Taxes are high

disproportionally to the services residents receive. Mill and Overlay is part of street maintenance and should be covered by property real estate taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L Smith-Wright July 18,2023