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Rainbow Child Development Center
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Saint Paul, MN 55103**

December 6, 2016

**Jim Perruca
Department of Safety and Inspections
Fire Inspection Division
375 Jackson Street #200
Saint Paul, MN 55101**

RE: Correction Notice Ref. #36885

Dear Mr. Perucca

We have reviewed the Deficiency List sent to us on November 15, 2016. Per your instructions, we have reached out to five contractors to complete the newly required work. The estimates are coming in around \$10,000.

As you know, Rainbow Child Development Center is a small business that serves 90% children and families living at or below 150% the poverty line. When we expanded our license in 2013 to serve more children in our community, we met with you on multiple occasions to determine the requirements. For the last three years, we have been under the impression that the plans you signed off on sufficiently met the requirements. For this reason, a \$10,000 expense for these new requirements was not factored into our budget.

As a reputable business in the community that has always followed the appropriate rules and regulations, we request to be given a tax credit for this unexpected expense.

We look forward to your response and to your instructions on how to proceed.

Thank you,

**Cheryl Mikel
Owner
651-403-1421**

CC: Angie Wiese, Commercial and Engineering Sections Supervisor