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To: Board of Zoning Appeals
Saint Paul City Council Members

We the undersigned wish to have our opinions heard on the matter of enforcement of the Saint Paul Zoning Code with respect to Getten Credit Company, which is an alternative financial establishment illegally operating in our neighborhood at 1338 Bayard.

- Getten Credit is clearly an alternative financial establishment as defined by Chapter 65.511 of the City's zoning code.
- The City zoning code clearly states that alternative financial establishments are not allowed near residential land uses or schools, both of which are present in our neighborhood.
- We believe that had Getten Credit sought zoning for a B-3 district with a conditional use permit at 1338 Bayard through the proper public process this request would have been met with overwhelming opposition.
- We are frustrated that Getten effectively denied all residents of our neighborhood the opportunity for due process by refusing to seek proper zoning and by not following their own state licensing requirements for public notice of a change of address.
- We are concerned that if the zoning code is not properly enforced, Getten or any successors to which Getten sells will be able to operate any of the restricted uses covered by Chapter 65.511 at 1338 Bayard, including payday lending and currency exchanges.
- We believe that Getten has operated in bad faith to date and that any assurances made by Getten during this process cannot be trusted and should not be relied upon by any City official or by the citizens of Saint Paul.
- We believe that Getten's appeal of the zoning administrator's ruling is completely baseless and merits no serious consideration.
- We call on the Board of Zoning Appeals and, if necessary, the City Council to enforce the zoning code and to deny Getten's appeal of the zoning administrator's ruling.

Thank you for your consideration.

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