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To whom it may concern,

I am a Saint Paul resident, currently a renter at 811 como ave though I used to live even closer in the midway neighborhood. That cvs is horrible and is dragging the whole neighborhood down. It's a testament to how large corporations will leave us behind based on national market trends. It's dangerous. It's butt-ugly. It's falling apart. It's essentially a living embodiment of a Hieronymous Bosch painting. They've had years to address the issues. It's a daily reminder of the city's lethargic response to blight, and I want nothing more than to cast it into the sea. Please demolish it and crush every brick used to build it into a dust so fine we can make a new beach on the Mississippi. While I dream of that location being used for dense housing over a locally owned neighborhood shop, at this point I'd take a bench. A dumpster. Even another surface parking lot, to add to the other thousand in the neighborhood. An animatronic statue of spinning blades would be less dangerous. You don't even have to do any work, just tell the community to have at it and we will smash it to pieces ourselves with hammers and bare fists if necessary, like the Berlin Wall.

Jacob Hooper
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