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Good afternoon,

I've lived in the Hamline-Midway neighborhood since purchasing a home in 2010, and I'm deeply concerned about the issues plaguing the vacant CVS building on the corner of Snelling and University Ave. While taking Snelling is the fastest way for me to get my daughter to school at Global Arts Upper in the morning, I opt to drive a longer route in order to avoid this intersection because it feels unsafe. Over the years, I've attended events at the Turf Club, frequented On's Thai and Checkerboard Pizza, and purchased supplies from Dey Appliance, and I worry about how the increase in crime has and will impact their businesses.

You have the data, which speaks for itself, but if that's not enough, please consider our personal appeals. I love the Midway for its neighborhood pride, and the blight of a vacant, crime-ridden property that's falling into disrepair and owned by an out-of-state entity is frustrating and saddening. Even though I have the means to live elsewhere, I care deeply about living here and feel compelled to speak up and stand up for our neighborhood. If you share these concerns, I urge you to move forward with the demolition of this building and enable a fresh start for the Midway.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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