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Hello Council member Coleman,

My name is Christina Evans and I am a member of the Saint Anthony Park Community Council Environment. Committee and I am writing in support of the South Saint Anthony Park Rain Garden that has been issued a notice for plant height not being in line with the city code. I am pasting below the note that I wrote to Seth Richardson (the property owner of the rain garden in question) stating my full support for what it offers to the neighborhood and how rain gardens like this do so much good for us all.

Many thanks for your thoughtful consideration of this issue.

Christina Evans

I am proud of the rain garden and what it offers to our neighborhood. It is at a critical point where many people can appreciate and feel the calming impact of its beauty, it is visited not only by the people from the immediate streets but also people and families visiting the playground or joy of the people. The twin cities is ahead of much of the country in the approach to moving away from the monoculture grass epidemic and encouraging plant life that brings much needed vibrancy in plant and insects to the ecosystem. Not to mention the impacts of rain gardens on water quality. This rain garden is providing a health, spiritual, and environmental benefit and it would be a shame to see it jeopardized in service of adherence to a code that might not make the most common sense.

We should be appreciative of the rain garden and the effort of thoughtful individuals across

the twin cities that are working to make spaces that prioritize balanced ecosystems. Hoping that we can keep the rain garden healthy and strong.