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January 15, 2012

Marcia Moermond Legislative Hearing Officer/Senior Policy Analyst 310 City Hall 15 Kellogg Boulevard West St. Paul, MN 55102

RE:

November 2, 2011 City Council Meeting

Agenda Item #56 RLH RR, 11-68 "Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 46 Stevens Street East within fifteen (15) days after the November 2, 2011 City Council Public Hearing"

Dear Ms. Moermond:

We are writing in reference to the above November 2, 2011, Council agenda item regarding removal of the house at 46 Stevens Street East-which was our neighbor's house. I attended that Council meeting and very much appreciated the opportunity to meet and talk with both you and Councilmember Dave Thune about the house, about houses deemed a "nuisance," and about potential future scenarios. I especially appreciated your taking time with me to explain the history and background of our neighbor's house, as well as relaying my handwritten request to save the fir tree and juniper bush on the property.

The house was removed last week and the tree and juniper bush were saved! Thank you!

One of the scenarios we had discussed at the Council meeting was the possibility of us purchasing this lot adjacent to our property. It was thought that it might be possible to purchase the lot for about \$2,000. We are writing to express our great interest in this purchase.

If this is possible, we would appreciate your advice on how to proceed. We are writing to Councilmember Thune as well.

- Kick Dimmel

Thank you for your time and extra efforts.

Sincerely,

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