Dear Councilmember Tolbert:

I write to ask you for your support of the proposed mixed-use development at 735 Cleveland Avenue South. I live one block south of the proposed development and think it would be an incredible asset to the neighborhood. Most of the residential units are older, so new development would attract younger people to the area – something I think we need in Highland Park and Saint Paul in general.

This project is an example of the kind of investment that we want in Saint Paul. It is a mixed-use development that that offers new housing amenities, increased commercial opportunities, and will expand Saint Paul's tax base.

I ask that you reject the appeal from a small group of residents and allow this important project to move forward.

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