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Jane L. Prince
St. Paul City Council
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Re: 1174 Grand Ave.

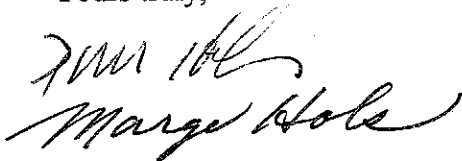
Dear Jane:

We are writing to you about a matter of importance to us and our neighborhood. We refer to the application for multiple variances (height, width and depth) by Ryan Burke on the construction project at 1174 Grand. The same application was previously rejected by the Council. Obviously the developers are hoping that a change in membership of the council will get them a friendlier reception. We urge you to adhere to the earlier determination and reject the application.

Our house looks out across Grand at the site. From that vantage point it is clear that the proposed structure will be sharply out of character with the rest of the block and the neighborhood. This part of St. Paul is family oriented, consisting of predominately single family homes and small apartment buildings, and care should be taken to preserve that. The developers knew the nature of the neighborhood before they began their project. Their application appears to be a reach for greater profit for themselves at the expense of the neighborhood.

We urge you to deny the variances.

Yours truly,


Marjorie Hols