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NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION ORDER TO VACATE

RE: 171 GRANITE ST Ref. # 111761

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on March 20, 2017.

The building was found to be unsafe, unfit for human habitation, a public nuisance, a hazard to the public welfare or otherwise dangerous to human life. A Condemnation Placard has been posted on the building.

The following deficiency list must be completed or the building vacated by the re-inspection date.

A reinspection will be made on April 4, 2017 at 9:30am.

PER THE LEGLISATIVE HEARING ON MARCH 21ST, 2017 ALL ITEMS ON THIS LIST MUST BE COMPLETED. ALL WORK REQUIRING PERMITS MUST BE FINALED AND APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE INSPECTOR.

CONDEMNATION OF THE BUILDING REVOKES THE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.

Failure to complete the corrections may result in a criminal citation. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. BASEMENT - SPLC 34.09 (2), 34.33 (3) - Provide and maintain foundation elements to adequately support this building at all points. **-Dirt in basement is being dug out for additional**

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storage space. Green treated lumber is being used to pin back the dirt in the basement. This work <u>will</u> require a permit. Contact DSI 651-266-8989.

2. BASEMENT - NEC 110.26 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 36 inches clearance in front of all electrical panels.

3. BASEMENT - MMC 504.6 - Provide, repair or replace the dryer exhaust duct. Exhaust ducts for domestic clothes dryers shall be constructed of metal and shall have a smooth interior finish. The exhaust duct shall be a minimum nominal size of four inches (102 mm) in diameter and installed in accordance with the mechanical code. This work <u>will</u> require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-

4. CHANGE IN USE - MSBC 1300.022 Subp. 3 - The occupancy group or use division of this building has been changed from that previously approved. Discontinue the unapproved occupancy or use. Home can only be used as a single family dwelling. **-This is a R-3 single family dwelling. Resident admitted to using home for an unapproved business use in the Legislative Hearing on March 21, 2017.**

5. EXTERIOR - ALLEY SIDE - MSFC 505.1 - Provide address numbers on building.

6. EXTERIOR - SPLC 34.08 (7) - All parking spaces shall be paved with asphalt, concrete, or durable dustless surfacing. Before any existing spaces may be paved, site plan approval must be obtained as specified in the St. Paul Zoning Code. Contact DSI Zoning at 651-266-8989. -Yard is mud and being used for unapproved parking.

7. EXTERIOR - SPLC 34.08 (3) - Provide and maintain suitable ground cover on all exterior areas to control erosion. –**Yard is mud, no ground cover.**

8. EXTERIOR - SPLC 34.09 (4), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the window glass. -Broken window in the kitchen.

9. INTERIOR - SPLC 34.08 (1), 34.34 (4), 34.16 - Provide and maintain interior in a clean and sanitary condition. -There is a strong smell of animal urine inside the home. Clean and sanitize the dwelling, including a full clean or the carpet and floors.

10. INTERIOR - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner. **–Patch and paint where needed.**

11. INTERIOR - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17(5) - Repair and maintain the floor in an approved manner. –Laminate flooring is worn and dirty. Carpeting is frayed and dirty.

12. INTERIOR - MSFC 603.7 - Immediately discontinue use of unsafe heating appliance until repaired or replaced by a licensed contractor. -Stove in the kitchen. This work <u>will</u> require a permit. Contact DSI at 651-266-8989.

13. ZONING - SPLC 62.101 - Use of this property does not conform to zoning ordinance. Discontinue unapproved use or call DSI Zoning at (651) 266-8989 to convert to legal use. Discontinue: Use as a business and scrapping operation. **-Resident admitted to using home for an unapproved business use in the Legislative Hearing on March 21, 2017.** 14. SPLC 39.02(c) - Complete and sign the smoke detector affidavit and return it to this office.

Saint Paul Legislative Code authorizes this inspection and collection of inspection fees. For forms, fee schedule, inspection handouts, or information on some of the violations contained in this report, please visit our web page at: http://www.stpaul.gov/cofo

You have the right to appeal these orders to the Legislative Hearing Officer. Applications for appeals may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, 310 City Hall, City/County Courthouse, 15 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul MN 55102 Phone: (651-266-8585) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of the original orders.

If you have any questions, email me at: adrian.neis@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8992 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

A.J. Neis Fire Inspector Ref. # 111761

cc: Housing Resource Center Force Unit Legislative Hearing Officer