

CITY OF SAINT PAUL Randy C. Kelly, Mayor

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April 2, 2003

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND ORDER TO VACATE

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Dear Sir or Madam:

The Citizen Service Office, Division of Code Enforcement has determined that the dwelling and premises at **895 DESOTO ST** is "Unfit for Human Habitation". In accordance with Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34, Section 23, the premises will be placarded on **April 1, 2003** and ordered vacated no later than **April 2, 2003**.

Your attention is called to the following provisions of Section 34.23, Subsection 6 entitled, "Vacation of Structure or Unit":

"Any residential structure or residential unit which has been condemned or placarded as unfit for human habitation shall be vacated within the time set forth in the placard and/or order. It shall be unlawful for any person to let to any person for human habitation any structure or unit so condemned or placarded, and no person shall occupy the structure or unit after the date set forth in the placard and/or notice."

THIS DWELLING SHALL NOT AGAIN BE USED FOR HUMAN HABITATION UNTIL WRITTEN APPROVAL IS SECURED FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL; CITIZEN SERVICE OFFICE, DIVISION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT.

<u>Principal Violations</u>: These deficiencies must be corrected before this condemnation and vacate order will be removed.

1. The interior of the dwelling unit has extensive fire damage and smoke damage and water damage to the first floor.

<u>Other Violations</u>: These deficiencies must be corrected in order to bring this property into compliance with the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

2. The second floor has heavy smoke damage.

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- 3. The dwelling has boarded doors and windows.
- 4. Smoke Detector: Lack of properly installed and operable smoke detector. Provide functioning smoke detectors in accordance with the attached requirement, within 24 hours.
- 5. FURNACE: Have a licensed heating contractor service and clean the furnace or boiler and make any necessary repairs. Perform a C/O test on the heating plant. Then, send the attached form back to the Inspector. Repair of gas fired appliances requires a permit.
- 6. Due to the extensive damage and general lack of maintenance the dwelling shall not be reoccupied until a Code Compliance Certificate has been issued by L.I.E.P.

Authorization to reoccupy this/these dwelling unit(s) will not be given until it is demonstrated that all principal violations have been corrected and that no new conditions exist which could constitute material endangerment or which threaten the peace, health, safety or welfare of the occupants of this building.

All repairs and new installations must be made in accordance with the appropriate codes. Permit information may be obtained from the Building Inspection and Design Section, 350 St. Peter Street, Lowry Professional Bldg. #300, (651) 266-9090.

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (651) 266-8989. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of the date of this notice.

It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep all buildings secured and to properly maintain the premises at all times.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the Inspector, Mike Kalis, at 651-266-1929. To arrange an appointment or request an extension of time to complete repairs, you will need to speak directly to me.

Sincerely,

ANDY DAWKINS

Andy Dawkins Division Manager

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Community Stabilization Project
Planning & Economic Development - Attn: Steve Rice

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