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Subject: St. Paul City Council Meeting 9.6.17 / 705 Summit Avenue Appeal of Notice to Vacate

RE: 705 Summit Avenue Appeal of Notice to Vacate

Dear Council President Stark and Councilmembers Bostrom, Brendmoen, Noecker, Prince, Thao, and Tolbert,

I live at 722 Summit Avenue and am therefore interested in the Appeal related to the property located at 705 Summit Avenue.

The expense and effort required to maintain an aging house are well known to all of us who own a residence on Summit Avenue, but I don't believe that the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) has or was intended to have the effect of providing exemptions to certain individuals as regards compliance with City laws, code requirements, and the HPC process and guidelines.

705 Summit Avenue is a substantial property and could provide lovely homes for a number of residents, **but only once it has become a healthy and safe living environment**, both for its residents and for the surrounding neighborhood. To this end, it is not unreasonable to require remediation of the deficiencies forming part of the letter dated August 31, 2017 (Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate) from A.J. Neis, Fire Inspector. We do not need another fire such as occurred at 705 Summit in the summer of 2011.

I do not know who might have made the preposterous suggestion that some of Mr Doyle's neighbors "do not like the idea of Blacks, families with young children, or disabled persons living on Summit Avenue". I have never once spoken to Mr. Doyle so he can surely have no notion of what ideas I may have in that regard. I live in a twin home (720/722 Summit Avenue) and share my back yard with a family with young children. I thoroughly enjoy seeing them playing there, regardless of their skin color.

Further, there are good number of other neighborhood residents who are as old as or even older than Mr Doyle. It would set a curious precedent to start exempting compliance simply by virtue of age. Or perhaps that is a new benefit that I can start looking forward to myself, once I turn 74.

I therefore respectfully request that the City Council deny My Doyle's appeal.

Sincerely yours.

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