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July 31, 2017

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

Jacques Xung Phan 1628 Van Buren Ave St Paul MN 55104-1818

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement, has determined that the dwelling and premises at **1628 VAN BUREN AVE** is "Unfit for Human Habitation". In accordance with Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34, Section 23, the premises will be placarded on **July 31, 23017** and ordered vacated no later than **July 31, 2017**.

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; DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS, DIVISION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

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

- 1. **CONDEMNATION:** This occupancy is condemned as unsafe or dangerous. It constitutes a condition of material endangerment to occupants and emergency personnel. The interior of home has no electric due to damaged mast and down wires that Xcel disconnected.
- 2. **LACK OF ELECTRIC:** Immediately restore electrical service. Use of candles, fuel operated lighting or extension cord wiring is not permitted while the power is off. Hire a licensed electrician to repair the mast and then contact Xcel to reconnect power.

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

- 2. **EAVES/SOFFITS:** The eaves and soffits are in a state of disrepair or deterioration. Repair all defects, holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards, to a professional state of maintenance. Permit may be required.
- 3. **WINDOWS:** The windows and/or storm windows are in a state of disrepair. Replace all missing or broken window glass. Make all necessary repairs to frames, sashes, hardware and associated trim in a professional manner. Permit may be required.
- 4. **SCREENS:** The window and/or door screens are missing, defective or in a state of disrepair. Provide proper window and door screens for all openable windows and doors. Screens must be tight-fitting and securely fastened to the frames.
- 5. **TALL GRASS AND WEEDS:** Immediately cut tall grass and weeds which have grown to a height of eight (8) or more inches or have gone to seed. The Saint Paul Legislative code requires that grass be cut and maintained at a height of under eight (8) inches, **INCLUDING:** remove down tree branches.
- 6. **ROOF:** The roof is deteriorated, defective, or in a state of disrepair. Repair or replace the roof covering to a sound, tight and water impervious condition. Permit may be required.
- 7. **GARAGES AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURES.** All garages and accessory structures must be in sound condition and secure from unauthorized entry. Repair or replace any missing doors, windows, or hardware for same.
- 8. **PAINTING:** The exterior walls and/or trim of the house and/or garage has defective, peeled, flaked, scaled or chalking paint or has unpainted wood surfaces. Scrape and repaint to effect a sound condition in a professional manner.

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, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, (651) 266-8989.

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You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (651) 266-8688. 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, Lisa Martin, at 651-266-1940. To arrange an appointment or request an extension of time to complete repairs, you will need to speak directly to the inspector.

Sincerely,

Lisa Martin

Enforcement Officer

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