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August 17, 2018

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSE

Edwin Allen Praiseworthy 1717 Washington Street NE, Apt. 605 Minneapolis, MN 55413

RE: Taxicab Driver license held by Edwin Allen Praiseworthy for the City of Saint Paul License ID #: 20120004108

Dear Licensee:

The Department of Safety and Inspections will recommend revocation of the Taxicab Driver license held by Edwin Allen Praiseworthy for the City of Saint Paul. The recommendation is based on the following information:

During a routine criminal history check as part of the renewal process for your Taxicab Driver license, the Department of Safety and Inspections discovered you were convicted of Gross Misdemeanor Terroristic Threats-Reckless Disregard Risk (Minn. Stat. §609.13) in Hennepin County on April 20, 2018. You were placed on Supervised Probation for two (2) years which is scheduled to expire on April 20, 2020.

Saint Paul Legislative Code § 376.15 (e) (3) (a) states the basis for adverse action: "Not be under sentence or have been discharged from sentence for any felony conviction within the five (5) years immediately preceding application for a license, or under sentence or have been discharged from sentence for any non-traffic gross misdemeanor or non-traffic misdemeanor conviction within the three (3) years immediately preceding application for a license."

You have three (3) options to proceed:

If you do not contest the imposition of the proposed adverse action, you may do nothing. If I have not heard from you by Monday, August 27, 2018, I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action, and the matter will be placed on September 12, 2018 City Council agenda for approval of the proposed remedy.

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- 2. If you wish to admit the facts but you <u>contest the penalty</u>, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. You will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting to the facts and requesting a public hearing no later than **Monday**, **August 27, 2018**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to revoke your Taxicab Driver license. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
- 3. If you <u>dispute the facts</u> outlined above, or wish to present evidence that the conviction is not related to your license as a taxicab driver, or that you have been rehabilitated pursuant to Minn. Stat. §364.01 et seq, you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). I will need to receive your letter no later than **Monday**, **August 27**, **2018**. At that hearing both you and the City will appear and present witnesses, evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. After receipt of the ALJ's report (usually within 30 days), a public hearing will need to be scheduled. At that time, the City Council will decide whether to adopt, modify or reject the ALJ's report and recommendation.

<u>Please note:</u> If you choose an administrative hearing, the Department of Safety and Inspections reserves the right to request that City Council impose the costs of the administrative hearing per Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310.05 (k).

If you have not contacted me by Monday, August 27, 2018, I will assume that you do not contest the revocation of your Taxicab Driver license. In that case, the matter will be placed on the September 12, 2018 City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these three (3) options, please feel free to contact Julie Kraus, my Legal Assistant at (651) 266-8776.

Sincerely,

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Therese Skarda Assistant City Attorney License No. 0240989

Cc: Edwin Allen Praiseworthy, 1600-18th Avenue NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

) SS.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 17TH day of August, she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE LICENSE** and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Edwin Allen Praiseworthy 1717 Washington Street NE, Apt. 605 Minneapolis, MN 55413

Edwin Allen Praiseworthy 1600-18th Avenue NE Minneapolis, MN 55418

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Julie Kraus

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17TH day of August, 2018

Notary Public

