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## **Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate**

RE: 1130 FOREST ST  
Ref. # 115118

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was determined to be a registered vacant building on December 10, 2018. Since certificates are for the occupancy of buildings, it has become necessary to revoke the Certificate of Occupancy.

Saint Paul Legislative Code provides that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. In order to re-occupy the building, the following deficiencies (if applicable) must be corrected and a complete Certificate of Occupancy inspection will be required.

### **DEFICIENCY LIST**

1. Basement - SPLC SECTION 33.03 PERMITS --- WHENN REQUIRED. (a) Building and general construction. No person shall construct enlarge alter repair move demolish or change the occupancy STRUCTURE without first obtaining a building permit from the building official. -Walls have been removed and reconstructed in the basement.
2. Bedroom west side - MSFC 1030.1 - Provide and maintain an approved escape window from each sleeping room or area, or discontinue use of area as a sleeping room. This work may require permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989. Remove the tv that will prevent emergency escape. Both windows are blocked with the tv in the bedroom upstairs west side. -
3. Front steps - attached to house - SPLC SEC 43.33 Exterior Structures - Exterior Standards (c) Stairs steps deemed hazardous by the enforcement officer shall be corrected in accordance with the building code or be maintained in accordance with the building code it was originally constructed. -

4. Main floor bedroom - North side - NEC 410-8 (b) (1) Provide for the incandescent fixtures in closets to have a completely enclosed lamp. -
5. Remove all cans marked extremely flammable from basement - MSFC 315.3.3 - Remove combustible storage within 36 inches of fuel burning equipment. -
6. Remove all cords from all pathways - MSFC 1030.2 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path. -Remove all cords from the threshold upstairs bedrooms and front steps leading to the front door
7. Remove all curtains from all exit doors - MSFC 807.2 - Provide documentation that decorative materials have been treated and maintained with an approved flame retardant or remove decorative materials that do not meet the flame retardant requirements. -
8. Remove all gas cans from basement - MN Stat 299F.18 - Immediately remove and discontinue excessive accumulation of combustible materials. -4 gas cans removed at time of inspection
9. Remove all sliding bolt locks - Various locations - MSFC 1008.1.9.3 - Remove unapproved locks from the unit doors. The door must be openable from the inside without the use of keys or special knowledge or effort. -Bedroom main floor has a clasp lock and a sliding bolt lock that has to be removed.
10. Repair retaining wall - next to public sidewalk. - MSRC - R404 .5 Retaining walls. Retaining walls that are not laterally supported at the top and that retain in excess of 24 inches of unbalanced fill shall be designed to ensure stability against overturning, sliding, excessive foundation pressure and water uplift. -
11. Replace rear exit door - SPLC 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition. -
12. Upstairs - MSFC 605.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring. -
13. SPLC 39.02(c) - Complete and sign the smoke detector affidavit and return it to this office.
14. SPLC 34.09 (4), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen. -
15. 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 SHALL require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-Tenant states he installed dryer duct.

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 this order.

If you have any questions, email me at: [james.thomas@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:james.thomas@ci.stpaul.mn.us) or call me at 651-266-8983 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

James Thomas  
Fire Inspector

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