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## NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION ORDER TO VACATE

RE: 1286 SHERBURNE AVE Ref. # 122072

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on September 4, 2014, in response to a complaint.

The building was found to be unsafe, unfit for human habitation, a public nuisance, a hazard to the public welfare or otherwise dangerous to human life. A Condemnation Placard has been posted on the building.

CONDEMNATION OF THE BUILDING REVOKES THE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.

Failure to complete the corrections may result in a criminal citation. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy.

## DEFICIENCY LIST

1. SPLC 34.23, MSFC 110.1 - This occupancy is condemned as unfit for human habitation. This occupancy must not be used until re-inspected and approved by this office. -Dwelling is condemned for lacking basic facilities (electric), use as an illegal rooming and boarding house, lack of smoke detectors, and illegal basement bedroom.

2. SPLC 34.14 (2), 34.34 (5) - Provide an approved electrical service adequate to meet the building needs. This work may require a permit(s), call DSI at (651) 266-9090. -Electricity has been disconnected and a portable generator is in use to power the building.

3. MSFC 1028.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exitway. -Items blocking and obstructing bedroom escape windows.

4. SBC 3405.1, SBC 110.2 - The occupancy group or use division of this building has been changed from that previously approved. -Evidence dwelling is in use as an illegal rooming and boarding house. -Locks and unit numbers on individual bedroom doors.

5. SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - Repair and maintain the door rear frame. –Rear door.

6. MSFC 315.2 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials.

7. MSFC 605.1- All light fixtures shall be maintained with protective globes if originally equipped.

8. SPLC 34.10 (5), 34.33 (4), 34.16 - Provide and maintain interior in a clean and sanitary condition.

9. SPLC 34.10 (3), 34.33(2) - Provide an approved handrail. The top of the handrail must be between 34 and 38 inches above the treads and run the entire length of the stair.-

10. SPLC 34.11 (6), 34.34 (3) - Provide service of heating facility by a licensed contractor which must include a carbon monoxide test. Submit a completed copy of the Saint Paul Fire Marshal's Existing Fuel Burning Equipment Safety Test Report to this office.

11. MSFC 1026.1 - 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.

12. MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area. –All smoke detectors were missing or disabled.

13. SPLC 39.02(c) - Complete and sign the smoke detector affidavit and return it to this office.

14. MN State Statute 299F.50 Immediately provide and maintain an approved Carbon Monoxide Alarm in a location within ten (10) feet of each sleeping area. Installation shall be in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

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 the original orders.

If you have any questions, email me at: adrian.neis@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8992 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

A.J. Neis Fire Inspector Ref. # 122072

cc: Housing Resource Center Force Unit