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Dear St. Paul City Council,

Most every thing that I have to say to you about this noise variance has been said by others. We have endured rude awakenings, shaking window panes, tormented pets, vibrating & pounding noise interrupting our ability to home office, etc., etc.

When it halted abruptly one Friday, we all were in hopes that the machinery had broken. Little did we know that this brain-numbing noise would start up again soon, with the blessings of the St. Paul City Council. When I heard the term "Noise Variance" in the past, I assumed that these variances were granted for short term disruption like sports events or music performances, where there was a promise that there was a time limit. So image my surprise when I received the notice that Kraus Anderson was asking to continue (& possibly accelerate) their bone-shaking level of noise for more than a month. We live 3 (albeit short) blocks north of the site, and are awakened every morning by 7:40, by the jack hammering sound and motion, that at first seemed to be right next-door to our property. But, no, it was as far away as University Avenue. I swore they were removing sewer pipes in the street in front of our duplex.

If this pounding were being done in another season, there might be options of escaping town for a month (or even during the day), to come home and assess what damage to constant shaking had produced. But, as it is, we are stuck here, captive participants in a psychological experiment to see how much a city dweller can endure. I realize this project is going to go forward, no matter what. But once again, the inhabitants of the city are lab rats, in an experiment to determine what it will take to drive every human being with senses to abandon this ship.

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