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I am writing in support of demolishing the CVS at Snelling and University, based on its neglect and blight of the neighborhood.

This building has set unused and unmonitored for years. As an unmonitored property, in poor condition, it is a hazard to neighbors or to trespassers, and it attracts nuisance traffic.

The owners' unresponsiveness and refusal to maintain the property is creating a blight in the neighborhood, preventing positive eyes on the street foot traffic that would be seen if a building at that location was in use, or if people viewed it as a community asset or a place of residence. Demolition clears the way for improvement of the property, and for opportunity for some other owner to reimagine the property.

This abandoned building is a blight on our community and it is holding us back from developing a more vibrant neighborhood.

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