



August 27th, 2024

Dear City of Saint Paul Planning Commission,

On behalf of the Hamline Midway Coalition Development Committee and the Hamline Midway Coalition Board of Directors, we are writing to express our strong support for Malik and Natalia Davis's initiative to open a Hotworx 24-hour infrared fitness studio in the Midway neighborhood of St. Paul.

We were impressed by their presentation and the unique benefits the Hotworx model can bring to our community. The combination of infrared sauna therapy with a variety of exercise equipment and classes offers a wellness resource that is currently lacking in our area. As a committee dedicated to supporting local businesses and enhancing the quality of life for Midway residents, we believe Hotworx would be a valuable addition to our neighborhood.

We understand that the main challenge they face is the current St. Paul ordinance, which does not permit 24-hour unstaffed fitness studios with saunas. We are committed to supporting their efforts to obtain a variance or ordinance change that would allow them to operate their Hotworx franchise as intended.

To that end, we are prepared to provide a letter of support for their variance request to the city. We are confident that, with the proper safety protocols and oversight, Hotworx can be a safe and beneficial resource for our community. We also encourage them to provide data or information from other Hotworx locations to demonstrate the franchise's strong safety record.

Thank you for considering this request. We look forward to continuing to work with you and the city to support local businesses and improve the quality of life in the Midway neighborhood.

Sincerely,

The Hamline Midway Coalition Development Committee and Hamline Midway Coalition Board of Directors

CC: Council President Mitra Jalali