

September 28, 2010

TO: THE AMHERST H. WILDER FOUNDATION

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FROM: THE UNDERSIGNED HOMEOWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF CROCUS HILL

RE: PETITION RELATING TO THE SALE OF WILDER FOUNDATION PROPERTY LOCATED AT 180 SOUTH GROTTO, SAINT PAUL.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED CROCUS HILL NEIGHBORS SURROUNDING YOUR PROPERTY AT 180 SOUTH GROTTO, THE FORMER BUSH MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S CENTER, HAVE ENJOYED HAVING YOU AS NEIGHBORS FOR MANY YEARS. NOW AS YOU LEAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, WE ASK YOU TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF THE SALE OF THIS PROPERTY ON OUR BELOVED AND HISTORIC PIECE OF SAINT PAUL. WHEN CONSIDERING PURCHASE OFFERS, WE HOPE YOU WILL WEIGH ANY POSSIBLE NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND ON OUR LIVES FROM SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO DENSITY, AESTHETICS, PUBLIC SAFETY, NOISE, TRAFFIC AND PARKING.

JUST AS YOU HAVE BEEN GOOD NEIGHBORS, WE HAVE BEEN SUPPORTIVE AND INVOLVED IN MANY WAYS WITH THE WILDER FOUNDATION AND, IN PARTICULAR, THE BUSH PROGRAM FOR DECADES. WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK WITH THE SALE OF THIS SPECIAL PIECE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND TRUST THAT YOU WILL LEAVE IT IN GOOD HANDS.

SINCERELY,

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