Corey and Jacqueline Cox

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City of La Crosse Housing Department

RE: Rental Property at 2115 16th St. Registration

To Whom It May Concern,

It recently came to our attention that the registration of 2115 16th St as a rental property has come in to question. The Housing Department has asked that we compose a letter as to why we should be permitted to continue rental on this property.

As records will indicate, this property has been a rental for the past several years and has been occupied by the same tenant since October of 2008. The tenants, Wayne Hanson and his elderly mother, have made this their home and have been highly responsible tenants. They have adapted the home to his handicapped mother's needs and took residence there on account of the safety of the neighborhood (as compared to their prior neighborhood).

Wayne has been a very good tenant and had the following to contribute:

"This house has had a single family in it since October of 2008. We have cultivated many friendships in this community based neighborhood. We have worked together as a team during weather events and neighborhood watch. We have made this house accessible for my handicapped mother that would have to be moved. She gets help with care and it would be a hardship for her to be forcibly moved in the winter. She has had the bathroom modified here to accommodate her. It will be very hard to find a residence that will be able to be converted for her and my medical problems. It will take a truck to move the medical equipment that she requires for good quality of life. A move now would be difficult for her physically and emotionally. It will also be difficult to find a residence that she can take her licensed dog. There is no difference except ownership of me being here or another family.

Thank you

Wayne"

To be forcibly moved from this residence would be a hardship to Wayne and his mother as he has mentioned above. Additionally, should we no longer be permitted to rent this property, we will not be able to afford the mortgage and it will fall in to foreclosure.

We respectfully request a waiver of 8.07 (I) and permitance to continue renting this property.

Thank you kindly,

Corey and Jacqueline Cox

Owner/Landlord

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