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To: La Crosse City Council Members La Crosse, WI 54601

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Recently my wife and I were notified that we could not rent a single family dwelling at 1007 Cameron Avenue, La Crosse because of the six month moratorium invoked by the City of La Crosse. I put a "for sale" sign out in front of the house and someone must have taken an interest and notified the Building Inspection Department. To this point in time we have been renting the house out since we bought the house a year ago last spring. The tenants lived there for seven years until November 1, 2013.

We bought the house for income. If the house is not rented out, it will have a considerable negative effect and cause significant financial hardship to me and my wife due to the paying of taxes, house payment, second mortgage to purchase the property in the first place, heat and lights, and insurance. This adds up quickly.

The purchase of the home is supposed to supplement my (Nick) retirement income. My wife and I ask to be exempted from this temporary six month moratorium. Our hope is that we can continue to rent the property.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Kathleen J. Charles Nicholas R. Charles, Sr.

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