Kurt J. and Marla J. Kaufmann

2025 Main Street

La Crosse, WI 54601

Parcel: 017020067030 Location 111 21st Street No

Ref No: 11267

David Reinhart Chief Inspector

400 La Crosse Street

La Crosse, WI 54601

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We respectfully request a hardship waiver pursuant Section 8.07 (I) from the Judiciary Administration Committee for the above property for the following reasons:

- This property is adjacent to our main residence as an investment in our local neighborhood and community. We maintain it as a valued asset.
- Our daughter had lived there for the past five to six years while she was finishing school and applying for full-time employment. We collected no rent for this period of time, which our accountant stated was a gift and not a tax write-off. During this time, we maintained this property at our expense including maintenance, mortgage and taxes.
- This property is not a multiple family dwelling. It is a small house, basically meant for two people or a small family.
- For the past year, Kurt has been unemployed adding additional financial strain on keeping the property maintained as a nice neighborhood home. However, during this time we have spent a considerable amount of time and capital maintaining and improving the home to attract a renter to bolster our community.
- On the same day we signed a lease with a nice, hardworking young couple, we received this notice. Sadly, we had to inform them they could not move in and returned their security deposit. They are currently living with friends, out of boxes, still hoping to move in.
- Now, during the middle of winter, we find ourselves with a hardworking young couple who cannot move in but still having to pay utilities and taxes with no foreseeable income to do so.

We therefore request the Committee grant a hardship variance to keep this property a valuable asset to our neighborhood, to keep two adjacent properties together and as a viable tax for the City of La Crosse.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kurt of Kauf

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Kurt J. and Marla J. Kaufmann