October 10, 2013

City Clerk La Crosse WI

Regarding: 1919 State Street

Ordinances 8.07 (A), (B) & (I)



We recently realized that all single family rental properties must be registered with the City of La Crosse. When we realized our home was not in compliance, we immediately downloaded the form, filled it out and mailed it to David Reinhart the Chief Building Inspector of La Crosse. He called to explain the moratorium the City of La Crosse presently has in place, and to let us know he would be sending us an Official Order.

We would like to come before the Judiciary and Administration Committee in November, to request a Hardship consideration. Our tenants are UW-L student athletes and it would be a great hardship, and very difficult for them to find replacement housing midyear, and for they and their parents to be burdened with the task of repacking and moving during their school year, training, and their season.

It would be a substantial hardship for Sandy and I as well, to not be able to rent this house. Without rents we would not have the income to pay the mortgage to the bank, or the taxes to the City of La Crosse. We would be forced to put the house on the market and sell it....hopefully before it is foreclosed on. We are counting on this investment to supplement our retirement income.

We purchased this home 19 years ago when our daughter was a UW-L student. It was a rental when we purchased it and we maintained it as a rental since then. We have worked hard over the past 19 years to provide UW-L students with a really nice home to live in. We are great landlords and are committed to providing a safe and well kept home for the students. We have received many letters of thanks from both students and their parents over the years. Their positive experiences with us, make them both talk about La Crosse in a positive way with their friends and families looking at colleges.

Respectfully,

Steve and Sandy Waterhouse

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