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City Council,

Thank you for your consideration of the rezoning of the REACH Center at 211 S 11<sup>th</sup> St. The Reach Center was founded through cooperation of non-profit organizations, Catholic Charities, Couleecap, Independent Living Resources, New Horizons Shelter and Outreach Services, Salvation Army, and the YWCA La Crosse. Having all of these organizations provide services under one roof means more efficient outreach to support the lower socio-economic individuals and families in our community.

The requested rezoning would enable the REACH Center to be more energy efficient, environmentally sustainable, and allow a more efficient use of space.

Additionally, their new partner, Scenic Bluffs Community Health Centers, would be able to perform necessary renovations ensuring they are able to provide quality dental and health care. While there are already medical health providers in our community, they are overwhelmed and often require patients to wait several months to be seen for routine medical care. While there may be some push-back from neighbors to the facility, allowing these renovations would mean the health services can be performed inside the building instead of outside with the mobile health clinic.

Again, thank you for your consideration of the rezoning and I look forward to your support for the REACH Center and their mission.

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