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**RE: PARC's Proposal**

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Eden Community Homes, we wish to support PARC in its goal to develop decent affordable housing in a derelict building for people who desperately need housing in that area. We believe that good supportive housing is critical to enhancing an individual's stability when they face the challenges of poverty and illness. Everyone agrees that housing is a major determinant of health.

PARC has been working for many years in this community with people who have experienced mental illness and homelessness. They have a great deal of expertise and are an established and respected non-profit community agency.

The building, 194 Dowling, has been an eye sore for many years and is a sad reminder for the people in the community of the terrible conditions which lead to people dying in a fire. The building is adjacent to the current PARC building so it makes a great deal of sense for PARC to develop this property in terms of their proximity and connection to the community.

PARC plans to house people who are currently living in deplorable conditions in the area or who are homeless. What a wonderful opportunity for the building to be reborn and for people to have a chance to as PARC puts it so clearly in their tagline "A community where people rebuild their lives".

Yours truly,

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Executive Director

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