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MAYOR'S OFFICE

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Mayor Sam Kooiker
City of Rapid City
300 Sixth Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

**RE: Veteran's Village Apartments
1010 11th Street
Rapid City, SD**

Dear Mayor Kooiker:

On behalf of Cornerstone Rescue Mission and the pending owners, 2012 Veteran's Village Limited Partnership, of the now vacant West Park Apartment Annex , I am pleased to inform you the partnership is applying for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds from the South Dakota Housing Development Authority for the redevelopment of this long vacant building that was formerly known as the boiler plant and laundry for the former St. John's McNamara Hospital .

In the early 80's, the bulk of the former hospital building was redeveloped into 80 one bedroom apartments for the elderly and disabled. That facility is known as the West Park Apartments today. However, the adjacent boiler/laundry building was not part of the original redevelopment.

We are partnering with Cornerstone Mission and another SD Non Profit, Sioux Falls Environmental Access, Inc. from Sioux Falls, SD, to develop 22 one-bedroom affordable rental apartments for low-income disabled veteran , who will be clients of Cornerstone Rescue Mission. Cornerstone will provide the day to day management of the completed project.

Cornerstone Rescue Mission has developed and operates housing for the homeless and low income in Rapid City for many years and has demonstrated the capacity and experience to successfully put this project in place and provide successful management and services to its targeted clients. This project, Veteran's Village, will increase the availability of affordable units for Veterans who have an income no greater than 50% of median income, in response to the ever growing need.

In addition to affordable housing, case management and social service support will be available to those living in Veteran's Village. Assistance provided by case managers will

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range from replacing birth certificates and obtaining photo I.D.'s, to arranging for medical services, clothing and coordination of client services with other social service providers in the community.

We appreciate the letter of support from Ms. Barbara Garcia of your staff, noting the proposed projects compliance with your Consolidated Plan. With this great assistance, we believe that the project can become a reality.

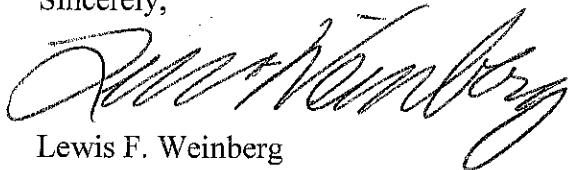
This letter is being provided to the South Dakota Housing Development Authority as part of their application process for NSP1 and NSP3 funding. For further information, please feel free to contact SDHDA at:

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South Dakota Housing Development Authority
P.O. Box 1237
Pierre, SD 57501
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If you need any further information regarding the proposed project, please do not hesitate to contact me at 712-490-7365 or by email at lew515@gmail.com .

We appreciate your support and the assistance of your staff in helping to make this project happen.

Sincerely,



Lewis F. Weinberg
Co/General Partner

Cc: Lorraine Polak, SDHDA
Jim Castleberry, Cornerstone Rescue Misson
Rollyn Samp, Sioux Falls Environmental Access, Inc.