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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: NOTICE: Special Flood Hazard Areas

The City of Des Moines is a participating community in the National Flood Insurance Program. As a member community, we have information available concerning special flood hazard areas within the corporate limits of the City of Des Moines.

On file in the City of Des Moines Permit and Development Center are the current Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) and the related Flood Insurance Study (FIS) developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as well as all Letters of Map Revision (LOMR) and Letters of Map Amendment (LOMA). This information allows us to provide you with the following information about a specific property:

1. If it is within a special flood hazard area.
2. What Flood Hazard Zone it is within.
3. The base flood elevation, where determined in the study.

In addition, for insurance purposes, we can also provide:

- a. The FIRM community number;
- b. The FIRM panel number;
- c. The FIRM suffix;
- d. The FIRM index date; and
- e. The elevation datum (NGVD or the City of Des Moines datum).

We also have elevation certificate records for some of the more recent permitted construction of new buildings, and substantial improvements to existing buildings, within the special flood hazard areas.

All of this information is available by telephone or in person if you would prefer to view the maps.

Should you have questions or need information, please contact the Permit and Development Center at (515) 283-4200. We are located on the first floor of the Armory Building, 602 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa.

Sincerely,



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