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Kirk Moorhead - Housing Development Project Manager  
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RE: Rockler Fur Building – 16 4<sup>th</sup> Street North – Bimosedaa Development

Dear Kirk:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association. Thank you for meeting with the DMNA Land Use Committee on May 7, 2019, to present your plans to rehabilitate the historic Rockler Fur Building into a 48-unit housing development with supportive services.

It is our understanding that the target population for this housing is formerly homeless, single adults, with preference give to Native Americans. In addition to the housing units, you intend to include space for supportive services provided by Avivo and Red Lake Nation.

Based on the preliminary information that you provided, the DMNA is willing to offer this letter of support for your pending applications to the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, and the Metropolitan Council (as well as other applicable and relevant funding sources) for gap financing.

We expect that you will come back to us at a later date to present a more fully developed plan, as well as any land use applications associated with the project. If you have any questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at [christie@thedmna.org](mailto:christie@thedmna.org) or by phone at 320-583-4573.

Sincerely,

Christie Rock Hantge  
DMNA Neighborhood Coordinator

CC: Council Member Steve Fletcher  
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