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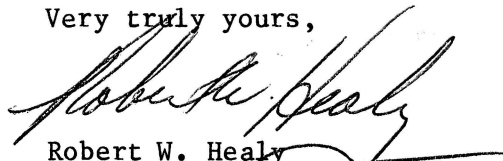
To the Honorable, the City Council:

The Law Department is in the process of completing a review of the impact of the recent amendment to the Federal Fair Housing Act on the Community Residence and Personal Care Lodging House Regulations under our zoning ordinance. It is immediately clear that this amendment dictates that the City must at least make some changes to these provisions of its zoning ordinance.

While it may be possible for the City to retain some authority to regulate the siting and operation of such facilities, despite these recent changes in Federal law, it may ultimately be necessary to completely repeal the zoning regulations in question.

The legal analysis is complex and we are trying to obtain as much input from the interested federal, state and local agencies and interest groups before arriving at a final recommendation. I think it is appropriate, however, to alert the City Council at this time, that significant changes, if not elimination, will be required as a result of this new Federal law.

Very truly yours,



Robert W. Healy  
City Manager

RWH/mbf

Re: review of the impact of the recent amendment to the Federal Fair Housing Act on the Community Residence & Personal Care Lodging House Regulations under our zoning ordinance.

In City Council,

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Referred to the  
Committee on  
Ordinances.

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Committee Chair on 3/24/89