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Ms. Linda Ciancio, Acting Director
Program Management and Assurance Division
Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control
451 7th Street SW
Washington, DC 20410

Dear Ms. Ciancio:

Thank you for all the hard work and cooperation that your office has given for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program in Omaha, Nebraska. The news that Omaha will not receive funding is very disheartening and, quite frankly, a blow to the health of my community which needs these dollars to eliminate the health hazards of lead exposure.

If it is not possible to reconsider the City of Omaha's application for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant, nonetheless I would appreciate receiving a debriefing on our application and its rejection. We have worked hard on this issue in Omaha along with the EPA's efforts in soil remediation. These grant dollars would allow a full spectrum approach to mitigating the hazards of lead absorption in young children.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Frank Brown
Councilmember
City of Omaha

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c: Mayor Mike Fahey
Marion Todd, Planning Department