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Dear Community Partner,

We would like to give you an update on the status of the Crescent Village Project. We worked with M&T Bank and found an affordable mortgage product in the Spring of 2009. This product was included in our proposal to the City of Buffalo in June 2009. We have just been informed by the City of Buffalo, that they cannot commit to moving our Crescent Village Project forward. Please see the **excerpt** from the letter below:

Nonetheless, per your request, I am providing you immediately with an answer. At present we cannot commit to moving the Crescent Village project forward. Should this situation change, we will of course contact you.

I trust this answer will allow you to move forward.

Sincerely,
Pulsa
Janet Penksa
Commissioner

CC: Mayor Byron Brown First Deputy Mayor Steve Casey Deputy Mayor Donna Brown Dir of Housing Yvonne McCray

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The fact that we are not building subsidized new housing does not take away from the passion and commitment that we have to rebuilding this community for future generations. This is just a delay and not a defeat. At this time, our agency is going to regroup and strategize as to how we can make this dream a reality. In the meantime, I want to express our sincerest appreciation for all your help and our deepest regret that this project was not permitted to move forward. We were not given a reason except that we were recently told that the City needed time to examine the outstanding projects to which they have committed funds. This may have been a determining factor in the above referenced decision.

Thank you for your commitment to our community and we will certainly include you in future activities regarding this project.

Sincerely,

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