Ms. Kelli Lamberty Community Events Coordinator Parks Division, City of Madison 210 MLK Jr Blvd. Rm 104 Madison, WI 53703

January 23, 2012

Dear Ms. Lamberty,

I am writing as a board member of the Wisconsin Cooperative Housing Association, also known as the Crestwood neighborhood. This letter is a follow-up on my emails and phone calls of the past month, regarding automobile traffic in Crestwood on Halloween nights.

Crestwood is a fun neighborhood for trick-or-treaters. Our houses are close together, many neighbors participate in Halloween, and there is always a campfire at Bordner Park to cap off the evening. We have seen (and welcomed) an increase in trick-or-treaters from outside the neighborhood. We would like to continue to encourage any and all to join us on the evening of October 31 each year.

This year, however, Crestwood parents reported their concern of non-Crestwood parents driving alongside their children as their children walked up and down our narrow streets. This increase in non-resident car traffic was concerning for a number of reasons:

- Our neighborhood does not have sidewalks so all pedestrians are walking in the streets.
- Children who are trick-or-treating are excited and distracted, and possibly prone to not look both ways while running from house to house.
- Children often wear costumes that limit their ability to see well (masks, hoods, etc)
- It is dark during peak trick-or-treating hours, limiting driver and pedestrian visibility

We are looking for a way to control non-resident vehicular access to Crestwood after dark, while still allowing residents to reach their homes and allow visitors to park nearby but not drive within Crestwood. We are attaching one possible solution, and very much welcome alternative ideas.

If possible, I would like to attend a March meeting, to further discuss our options.

Sincerely,

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