NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF THE HAMMOND HOUSING CODE **AND**

NOTICE OF ORDER THEREON BY THE HAMMOND BUILDING COMMISSIONER

TO: Eid Batarseh 7130 Belmont Ave. Hammond, IN. 46324

Address of Unsafe Building: 1149 Michigan St. Hammond IN

Legal Description: N Add. L.2 5 BL. 4 L.26 Bl. 4

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED: 7000 1670 0004 7458 8171

Date of Mailing: August 7, 2001

Your property at 1149 Michigan St., Hammond IN has been inspected and found to 18

an UNSAFE BUILDING in violation of Section 96.85 through 96.88 of the Hammond City

Code.

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This building is deemed unsafe based on the following:

- 1. All electric & nipsco gas shut off.
- 2. Toilets are full of human fecal matter. Toilets will not flush.
- 3. Basement apartment has plywood covering all windows.
- 4. Screens are missing from windows.
- 5. Locks on doors (exterior) were inoperable.
- 6. There are numerous large holes in ceilings, walls of all 3 units of this building.
- 7. Front porch railing is broken.
- 8. Sink in basement is plugged. (Kitchen)
- 9. Numerous open & hot electric wires.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED TO DEMOLISH THIS UNSAFE BUILDING WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS. If you fail to comply with this Order, the Building Commissioner will institute legal proceedings against you for violation of Chapter 96 of the Hammond City Code.

The penalty provision is Section 10.99 of the Hammond City Code and it provides for a maximum fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per violation; each day of violation is considered a separate offense.

You have the right to request, and will be granted, a hearing on this matter before the Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Hammond. To enforce your right to a hearing, you must petition the Board of Public Works and Safety, 5925 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, 46320, in writing within ten (10) days of your receipt of this notice. In that petition you must set forth a brief statement of the grounds for requesting the hearing. The Board of Public Works and Safety, upon receipt of your request for a hearing, will set a time and place for a hearing and shall give you written notice thereof.

At the hearing before the Board of Works, you will be given an opportunity to be heard and to show why this Order and this Notice should be modified or withdrawn. You may appear at the hearing with or without legal counsel, present evidence, cross-examine opposing witnesses, and present arguments. The hearing must be commenced not later than (10) days after the day on which your Petition is filed with the Board of Works. However, upon application by you to the Board of Works, the hearing may be postponed for a reasonable time beyond the ten (10) day period, if, in the judgment of the Board of Works, you have submitted a good and sufficient reason for such a postponement. All hearings on any petitions are open to the public. The Board of Works will enter its Order based upon the findings of the evidence

presented at the hearing and may sustain, modify or withdraw this notice. If no petition for hearing is filed with the office of the Board of Works within ten (10) days of your receipt of this notice, this notice to you is automatically considered an **ORDER**.

In addition, I.C. 36-7-9, et seq. holds you responsible for notice requirements to interested parties or subsequent owners. You may be liable for damages if you fail to comply with these notice requirements.

The proceedings at your hearing before the Board of Works, including the findings and decision of the board, shall be summarized, reduced to writing and entered as a matter of public record in the office of the Board of Works. This record shall also include a copy of every notice or order issued in connection with the matter. If you are aggrieved by the decision of the Board of Works, you may seek relief by submitting within ten (10) days after the decision, an appeal to the Circuit or Superior Courts of Lake County. Such an appeal is prosecuted by filing a Verified Complaint setting forth a copy of this Notice as affirmed by the Board of Works and the date thereof, and a copy of the decision of the Board of Works, from which you are appealing, and the date thereof.

Dale E. Robert, Building Commissioner City of Hammond Building Department

5925 Calumet Avenue Hammond, IN 46320

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