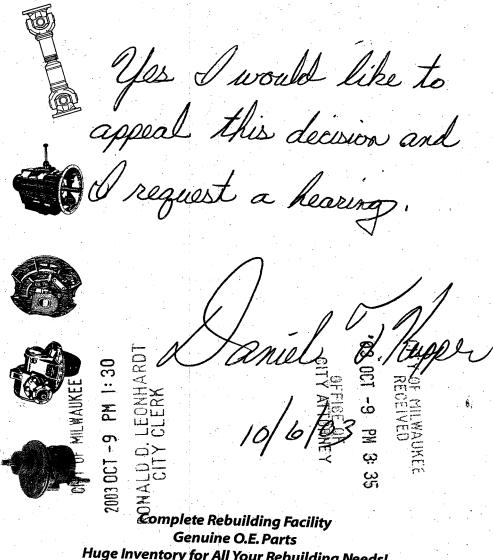
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RONALD D. LEONHARDT
CITY CLERK

Dear Sir,

I would like to register a formal complaint against the city. On 5/16/03, the Department of Neighborhood Services sited me for a garbage nuisance in my fenced in backyard. I received the notice on the 18th. It said I had 24 hours to do so, and I did. All the things that were junk, which was very few, were removed. The first item, siding, was not garbage. It was the siding for my garage. It was stacked against the back of the house in a neat pile. The metal storage containers were toolboxes for and eight-foot pickup bed, and they were not junk. They were stacked up along side my garage, much like ladders or boats people have along side their garages. The 'dismantled motorcycle' was a 27-year-old dirt bike, a collector's item by automotive standards. I have all the parts to rebuild it. I moved it to a spot were it wasn't visible to anyone but me. I liked it along side my fence, much like others have wagon wheels, yard gnomes, and other junk classified as antiques. On June 9th, these items were all taken from me, from my fenced in backyard. I was very upset. I called Neighborhood Services and Dave Krey gave me a phone number to call. That number was called three times and each time I was put on hold and then disconnected a few minutes later. I then called the alderman for my district and left a message and received no return call. I called again the next day and talked to a Jill Thomas. She said she looked on her computer and said it was abated on the 24th and she didn't understand why. She said she would look into it and call me back. I never heard anything. I'm now writing you. The siding on the house is new vinyl gray. The garage is old yellow aluminum. Any person with common sense should have been able to figure out that the siding in the yard was for the garage since the two didn't match.

I haven't had any history of nuisance violations and have lived here in this house for fourteen years. I made an honest effort to clean up my fenced in backyard and around my garage. My neighbors and friends saw it and thought it looked fine. The inspector should have been able to see this. If it was not satisfactory, some kind of direct contact with me should have been done. It should not have been removed. It wasn't a threat like my old neighbor's pit bull that jumped the

Administrative Review and Appeals Board,

The items you removed from my fenced in yard were not garbage; it was the siding for my garage. The house is gray with blue trim, like what was hauled away, and the garage is yellow with brown trim. It should have been obvious to the inspector. It was in a neat pile against the back of the house where no one could see it. The garage was to be done this summer but now I have no siding. The motorcycle frame was from a 25-year-old dirt bike of which I have all the parts to rebuild. It was against the fence where I thought it looked nice. Many people have junk. "antiques", in their yards and I don't see you hauling that away. It was in my fenced in backyard and not in plain sight. The metal storage containers were 8' truck toolboxes, not junk. They were stored along side my garage, just like many other people's boats, trailers, etc. I cleaned up the rest of the items on the complaint the day I got it. I will be filing a complaint against the city on this. I don't feel I should pay anything for this. You hauled away my valuable property from my fenced in private property, none of which was in plain view or in any way a nuisance. I received the letter on 5/16/03 and cleaned up the area immediately. It should have been obvious to anyone that the yard was fine. My friends and neighbors thought so. I will not pay for my own property to be stolen from me. That is what I feel you have done. A criminal seems to have more rights than I have received in this matter. What's happened to due process? I cleaned it up and no one said it wasn't enough. It was just taken from me.

Sincerely

Daniel F. Kupper

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