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Letter from Alameda County Supervisor Carson- RE: Moms for Housing

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Dear Supervisor Carson and staff:

On behalf of Wedgewood Properties, we have never received any correspondence/calls directly from the individuals who illegally broke into the company's property at 2928 Magnolia St., in Oakland, and who are unlawfully occupying it.

Wedgewood is sympathetic to the plight of the homeless and is a major contributor to shelter programs, inner-city youth, and the disadvantaged. The company hears and respects what the individuals illegally occupying the Magnolia Street home are saying--but it does not respect nor does it condone the theft of property.

Wedgewood purchased the Magnolia Street property on July 31, 2019 for \$501,078. As it does with all its properties such as this one, the company plans to renovate and rehab it as soon as possible and put it back into the housing market, thereby improving the neighborhood, the community and the city.

Wedgewood received a writ of possession for the home on Nov. 20, just about the time the individuals broke in and illegally occupied it. So, claims by the group that Wedgewood has been holding this house, or any other homes, vacant are patently false. The company is in the business of buying, renovating, and quickly selling homes to first time buyers. It does not "hold homes vacant."

Wedgewood is willing to listen to the individuals illegally occupying the home, **but only after they voluntarily leave the property.** **The company will have no discussion with them as long as they are engaged in illegal activity.**

It should be noted that Wedgewood gets its funding from people and institutions of all sizes and economics, small and big. By attempting to steal this home from Wedgewood, these individuals are harming others like themselves whose money was used to purchase this and other foreclosed and distressed properties.

If you would like to speak with me more about the unlawful break-in by these individuals and their illegal seizure of Wedgewood's property, I would be pleased to talk.

Regards and best Christmas Greetings, Sam Singer

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