CITY OF PORTLAND PREMISES UNFIT FOR HABITATION

April 12, 1999

Michael Harris 645 Washington Ave. Portland, ME 04103

RE: 21/23 Merrill St.(014 F006) **Hand Deliver**

Dear Mr. Harris,

An evaluation of your property at 21/23 Merrill St. on this date at 1:30pm revealed that the structure fails to comply with Section 109.5 of the The Housing Code of the City of Portland, .

The premises was found to have rodent (rat) activity. Borrows were noted in the basement floor, openings in the foundation and a live rat was seen in the yard area.

Based on that issue, and pursuant to Section 6-120.(1), this office declares the dwelling units are unfit for human habitation. A reinspection of the premises will occur on 4/13/99 at which time the building must be totally vacated and secured from vandalism. Failure to comply will result in this office referring the matter to the City of Portland Corporation Counsel for legal action and possible civil penalties, as provided for in Section 415 of the Code and in Title 30-A M.R.S.A. ss 4452.

This constitutes an appealable decision pursuant to Section 6127 of the Code. Please feel free to contact me at 874-8700, if you wish to discuss the matter or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Code Enforcement Officer cc/Central File

