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NOTICE OF INSPECTION

To Whom it May Concern,

The City of Portland Fire Department conducted a preliminary inspection of your property but was unable to conduct a full inspection. Please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 874-8400 no later than Friday November 15, 2016 to schedule a full inspection of the property. If you fail to do so, the City may consider this a refusal to allow an inspection and seek an administrative inspection warrant in court. The City may also pursue its remedies for civil penalties for refusing to allow the inspection of the property.

Additionally, please see the attached Notice of Violation and Order to Correct from the City of Portland Fire Prevention Bureau for the violations that were noted at the preliminary inspection. Please complete and return the form to the Fire Prevention Bureau by the date indicated. Your failure to do so may result in legal action, including the imposition of civil penalties.

Please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at (207)874-8400 to schedule an inspection and resolve the outstanding violations. I look forward to your anticipated cooperation and appreciate your efforts to help keep the citizens of Portland safe.

Sincerely,

Anne M. Torregrossa
Associate Corporation Counsel
City of Portland

CITY OF PORTLAND
 FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
 380 Congress Street, Portland, Maine 04101
 fireprevention@portlandmaine.gov
 (207) 874-8400

NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND ORDER TO CORRECT

Southern Maine Rentals
 773 Congress St
 Portland ME 04102

October 27, 2016

Location 41 CHESTNUT ST	CBL 026 F013001	Inspection Date 10/5/2016
Inspector Christopher Corey	Inspection Type FP Routine Inspection	Status Failed

The City of Portland Fire Department inspected this property, and found the fire and life safety code violations listed below, which you are hereby ordered to correct. You must complete the proposed date of completion column by proposing a reasonable timeframe to remedy each violation. This form must be received by the Fire Prevention Bureau no later than 11/15/2016. The Bureau reserves the right to reject or modify any proposed plan of action, and may require evidence of sufficient financial and technical capacity to complete the proposed plan. Please contact the Bureau with any questions.

YOUR FAILURE TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF ACTION BY THE DATE PROVIDED, OR TO CORRECT ANY VIOLATION WITHIN THE APPLICABLE TIME FRAME, MAY RESULT IN LEGAL ACTION AGAINST YOU, THE IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES, AND THE PURSUIT OF OTHER LEGAL REMEDIES.

Violation	Proposed Date of Completion
NFPA 101-7.2.4.3.1 FIRE BARRIER REQUIRES MAINTENANCE; Fire barriers separating buildings or areas between which there are horizontal exits shall have a minimum 2-hour fire resistance rating, unless otherwise provided in 7.2.4.4.1, and shall provide a separation that is continuous to the finished grounded level. holes in walls in front stairways	___/___/___
NFPA 101-7.9.3 EMERGENCY LIGHTS REQUIRE MAINTENANCE; 7.9.3 Periodic Testing of Emergency Equipment 7.9.3.1 Required emergency lighting systems shall be tested in accordance with one of the three options offered by 7.9.3.1.1, 7.9.3.1.2, or 7.9.3.1.3. 7.9.3.1.1 Testing of required emergency lighting systems shall be permitted to be conducted as follows: (1) Functional testing shall be conducted monthly with a minimum of 3 weeks and a maximum of 5 weeks between tests, for not less than 30 seconds, except as otherwise permitted by 7.9.3.1.1(2). (2) The test interval shall be permitted to be extended beyond 30 days with the approval of the authority having jurisdiction. (3) Functional testing shall be conducted annually for a minimum 1-1/2 hours if the emergency lighting system is battery powered. (4) The emergency lighting equipment shall be fully operational for the duration of the test required by 7.9.3.1.1(1) and (3). (5) Written records of visual inspections and tests shall be kept by the owner for inspection by the authority having jurisdiction. broken emergency lighting	___/___/___
PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 10 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REQUIRES SERVICE; Fire alarm system requires service by a licensed master fire alarm company. A list of licensed master fire alarm companies can be viewed at: www.portlandmaine.gov/fireprevention . Hanging detectors in hallway	___/___/___

Violation	Proposed Date of Completion
NFPA 101- 31.3.4.5.1 SMOKE ALARMS REQUIRED; In buildings other than those equipped through out with an existing, complete automatic smoke detection system, smoke alarms shall be installed in accordance with 9.6.2.10, as modified by 31.3.4.5.2, outside every sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms and on all levels of the dwelling unit, including basements. Missing smooke detector in apt 8	IMMEDIATELY install temporary alarms where required. Your signature below indicates that temporary alarms have already been installed.
NFPA 101- 8.3.4.2 60 MINUTE FIRE DOOR REQUIRED; Refer to NFPA 101- Table 8.3.4.2 that states fire door assemblies for vertical shafts (including stairways, exits, and refuse chutes) are rated and required for 1 hour.	____/____/____

VIOLATOR CERTIFICATION

I agree to remedy the violations listed within the timeframes provided. If I require additional time to comply, I understand that I must contact the Fire Prevention Bureau prior to the deadline to request an extension, which is entirely within the Bureau's discretion to grant or deny.

I further understand that it is my responsibility to schedule a reinspection of my property once the violations have been remedied to do so. My failure to schedule a reinspection shall be deemed an admission that the violations have not been remedied.

If I fail to comply with this agreement, I understand that I am liable for penalties pursuant to the City of Portland Code of Ordinances §§ 1-15 and 10-25, and 30-A M.R.S. § 4452 and may be subject to further legal action.

Date

Responsible Party

Date

Responsible Party

SEEN AND AGREED

Date

Fire Prevention Bureau