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YOUNG MENS CHRISTIAN ASSOC OF 70 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME 04101

CBL: 036 G020001 Located at 70 FOREST AVE Certified Mail 70051160000047873478

Dear Suzanne Wantland, Executive Director:

City Inspectors met with you and Mark Anderson on the 8th day of August, 2007 to discuss a proactive resolution to the bed bug infestation at the above-referenced property. Previous inspections/ complaints show that the structures fails to comply with Chapter 6.Article V. of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Portland, The Housing Code.

Attached is a list of the violations.

As your records indicated all previous bed-bug reports were investigated and or treated by a licensed pest control operator. However, as public health officials, the increase of infestation complaints within the last month indicates that the current pest-control management process needs modifications. As discussed during our meeting, the following corrective-action plan must occur by the 24th day of August, 2007:

- ? Remove all eighty six (86) wooden bed frames from each dwelling unit
- ? Provide protective covers for each bed mattress
- ? Pre-screen tenants to prevent the spread of insect infestation
- ? Maintain dryer temperature to the recommended level
- ? Seal all building through penetrations
- ? Continue bed-bug treatment/ screening by your licensed pest control operator

This is a notice of violation pursuant to § 6-118 of the Code. All referenced violations shall be corrected within fourteen (14) days of the date of this notice. A re-inspection of the premises will occur on 28th day of August, 2007 at which time compliance will be required. 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 § 1-15 of the Code.

This constitutes an appealable decision pursuant to § 6-127 of the Code. Please feel free to contact me at 874.8702 if you wish to discuss the matter or have any questions.

Please be advised that the Portland City Council has amended the Building regulations to include a \$75.00 re-inspection fee. This violation will automatically cause a re-inspection at no charge. If there are any subsequent inspections, however, the \$75.00 fee will be assessed for each inspection.

Sincerely,

Jon Rioux, Code Enforcement Officer