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October 3, 2011

Merle Clarke
40 Portland Pier #2
Portland, Maine 04101

RE: 189 Brackett Street
CBL: 045 E041001

Dear Mr. Clarke:

On July 25, 2011, I conducted an evaluation of your property at 189 Brackett Street (the "Property"). My inspection revealed that the building located on the Property is severely dilapidated and structurally unsound.

Pursuant to the International Existing Building Code 2009 ("IEBC") Section 202, any building with any of the following characteristics shall be deemed a "dangerous building":

DANGEROUS. Any building, structure or portion thereof that meets any of the conditions described below shall be deemed dangerous:

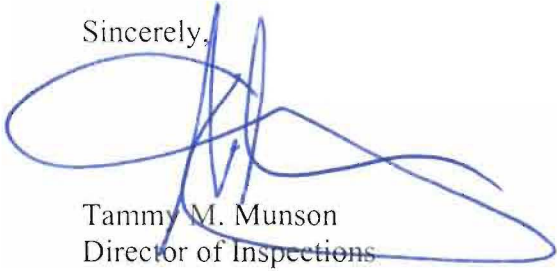
- 1. The building or structure has collapsed, partially collapsed, moved off its foundation or lacks the support of ground necessary to support it.*
- 2. There exists a significant risk of collapse, detachment or dislodgment of any portion, member, appurtenance or ornamentation of the building or structure under service loads.*

The building falls within the above IEBC definition and is a "dangerous building". It is hereby ordered that the building be demolished. See City Code § 6-16; IEBC at § 117.1. Please contact me on or before October 12, 2011 in order to obtain the necessary permit(s), including, but not limited to, a demolition permit.

This is your final opportunity to correct this violation. Failure to comply will result in this office referring the matter to the City of Portland Corporation Counsel's office for immediate action and pursuit of all available legal remedies under the City Code and 17 M.R.S.A. §§ 2851-2859 including, but not limited to, attorney's fees and civil penalties as provided for in 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452 and §§ 1-15 and 6-1 of the City Code.

This constitutes an appealable decision pursuant to section 121 of the Building Code. Please be advised that the Portland City Council has amended the City Code to include a \$75.00 re-inspection fee. If there are any subsequent inspections, the \$75.00 fee will be assessed for each inspection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tammy M. Munson', with a large, stylized loop on the left side.

Tammy M. Munson
Director of Inspections

cc: Mark Rees, City Manager

cc: Penny St. Louis, Director of Planning & Urban Development