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February 5, 2024

Dear board members,

My name is Pat Lozano, I am the President of the Linden American Legion Family. I have discussed the issue of zoning for the veteran's transition housing with members and other veterans. All have agreed with me that this is a very needed and beneficial project. We recognize that it is not a medical facility, any medical treatment needed will be provided by the VA. Rides will be provided to VA facilities when needed. Also, this is not a homeless shelter, these veterans are not coming from off the streets. Rather they are transitioning from current housing either at VA medical facilities or from families due to divorce or from any circumstance that requires a place to stay while repairing financial problems. Please give them your support. The current zoning area is the only one in your area that can accommodate a group housing (senior housing, apartments, etc.).

The project is fully funded by National and State grants, and local donations. And holds a National License to provide such housing. As for the resident who stated they needed a State License, no apartments, or senior rentals or condominiums need to be State licensed unless they are providing a medical facility. Why does this facility? They are not providing medical care, just a place to unwind and reset their condition.

Please consider whatever it takes to enable this very valuable asset to remain. They have proven to be so diligent in exceeding all your code and other requests, why stop them now after you knowingly allowed them to spend over a million dollars renovating a property in your community.

With all sincerity,

Pat Lozano, President of American Legion Family 119 Linden Michigan