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## Fort Collins City Council Members:

This request is on behalf of Respite Care Inc., a nonprofit agency located in Fort Collins. We have been serving children with disabilities and their families for 43 years in Larimer county and for 2 years in Weld county by providing respite care to the families and a safe nurturing environment for kids with disabilities and medical needs.

In the fall of 2012 we received a \$76,335 loan/grant from the City of Fort Collins to install a basement lift system to allow our children/staff to access the garden level basement since we outgrew the main level of our facility.

We have now outgrown our current facility at 6203 S. Lemay Ave. in Fort Collins. Respite Care will break ground in February of 2025 with completion in February of 2026 of a 20,000 sq/ft facility in Timnath, CO with land donated by Connell Resources. With overwhelming community support we have raised \$10,100,000 towards our \$12,000,000 goal. Our current facility is under contract for a closing date of August of 2025 and a lease back option through March of 2026. For your records I would like to disclose that when Land Title pulled the Deed of our current property, the lien of \$76,335 was not filed. However, I do have the promissory note that is attached.

Respite Care Inc. is asking the Council to allow us to sell our Lemay property and pay that sum of money on our new site rather than paying the City back the \$76,335. We served over 200 families in the Northern Colorado area last year with 58% of the hours provided to Fort Collins children and families. These numbers will grow as we will have the space to serve triple the amount of kids on any one given day in the new facility.

Thank you for considering our request and the consistent support Fort Collins has provided us the past 43 years.

Sincerely

Kristi Briles, Executive Director