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Resolution to initiate the Campus Boundaries Zoning Study

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Zoning Code to promote and to protect the public health, safety, morals, aesthetics, economic viability and general welfare of the community and to protect all areas of the city from harmful encroachment by incompatible uses; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Zoning Code requires a conditional use permit for colleges, universities, and seminaries when located in residential districts; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 65.220 of the Zoning Code lists standards and conditions for colleges, universities, and seminaries, and for the establishment and expansion of defined campus boundaries for said institutions when located in residential districts; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Planning Commission finds that it is the intent of the provisions of Sec. 65.220 to ensure that college, university, and seminary campuses do not negatively impact adjacent residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Planning Commission further finds that it is the intent of the provisions of Sec. 65.220 of the Zoning Code to ensure that expansion of college, university, and seminary campuses occurs in an orderly and well-planned manner; and

WHEREAS, policy 1.57 of the Land Use Chapter of the Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan calls for the City to encourage communication between educational institutions and residents of the community when those institutions seek to expand or make significant changes to their campuses; and

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Planning Commission finds that institutional acquisition and demolition of residential properties outside of campus boundaries in the absence of plans made available to the public and a campus boundary expansion approved by the Saint Paul Planning Commission is detrimental to the character and general welfare of residential neighborhoods; and

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WHEREAS, Sec. 61.801(b) of the Zoning Code authorizes the Planning Commission to initiate an amendment to the Zoning Code as provided in Minnesota Statutes Sec. 462.357, Subd. 4;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Saint Paul Planning Commission hereby initiates the Campus Boundaries Zoning Study.