From: Jermain Cooper

Sent: Friday, March 27, 2015 11:12 PM **To:** Lehmann, Daley (CI-StPaul) **Cc:** mranderson989@comcast.net **Subject:** Rondo Commemorative Plaza

Importance: High

Dear Mr. Lehman:

I am pleased to write in support of Rondo Avenue Inc.'s, effort to create the Rondo Commemorative Plaza and Garden at 820 Concordia Avenue. I feel very strongly that this project will play a critical role in preserving and promoting the history of the Rondo community while providing additional green space in the Summit University neighborhood.

This latest undertaking is the culmination of decades of work on the part of Rondo Avenue, Inc., to preserve Rondo's legacy and a fantastic next step toward building community assets that will help tell the story of how African Americans have helped to shape Saint Paul into the strong and diverse city that it is today. More importantly, the Rondo Commemorative Plaza and Garden is an important cornerstone that opens the path to further historical projects that will culturally enrich our community.

I urge the Community Facilities to give this project its highest priority to the plaza and garden project. Please let me know how I can be of assistance as this effort moves forward.

Warm Regards, Jermain

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