Dear Rental Property Owner:

By investing in rental property, you have not only taken on a major financial responsibility, but an equally large neighborhood responsibility as well. The care of your property should reflect the standards and greater goals of the neighborhood in which you invest, and the City as a whole. Protecting rental property from decline, increasing property values and improving the quality of life are objectives for all neighborhoods in the City of St. Louis.

This property owner’s packet is to be used as a tool to assist you in managing your rental property. Please review the packet and utilize its components. Of particular importance is the tenant screening process, lease, and rules of conduct for occupancy. This sample lease contains specific language addressing criminal activity and problem behavior. The more clearly your tenants understand what you require of them in terms of their tenancy, the more likely you are to have a mutually beneficial relationship.

If you are not presently involved in your neighborhood or property owners’ association, please consider joining and becoming active. These groups provide property owners a great resource for assistance in dealing with tenant and management issues. The meetings are also a great chance to network with other property owners and work together with various organizations and the Neighborhood Stabilization Team. If you are not familiar with the neighborhood or property owners’ associations, your Neighborhood Stabilization Officer will be happy to assist you.

Your participation in making St. Louis a better place to live is crucial. We thank you for investing in our neighborhoods and helping to make St. Louis a better place to live. We couldn’t do it without you!

For further information, please don’t hesitate to contact the Neighborhood Stabilization Team at 314-657-1392.

Sincerely,

Francis G. Slay
Mayor, City of St. Louis