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To whom it may concern,

My name is Donald Sweet, and I am currently the residential clinical manager at CORE Treatment Services. CORE works with many stakeholders and agencies to help the citizens of Manitowoc County, and several other counties heal from active addiction and mental health resulting from traumatic experiences.

I have been working in Manitowoc since 2017 where I started with the Manitowoc County Drug Treatment Court. When I started in this community there were no resources to help the citizens who needed help. Restoration Recovery Houses have been a huge resource for our citizens to have a place to go that helps them transition back into becoming a productive member of society. There is accountability and requirements that are used to get their residents to stay involved in ongoing recovery. Many of the residents that use their homes have turned out to work in this helping profession and continue to support those who are newer on their journeys.

I am asking that as a community we continue to support having these homes to reduce recidivism in our community.

Restoration Recovery Houses help people gain viable employment opportunities that help them learn to manage finances and pay bills. This skill allows these residents to eventually move on from Restoration Recovery Homes and become productive citizens who are earning wages and paying state and local taxes that eventually come back to the communities. The residents of Restoration Recovery Houses are big in supporting our small local businesses which continue to benefit the community of Manitowoc in many ways.

I for one will always be a huge support for Restoration Recovery Homes because I have seen the benefits of what they do for our community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out and ask!

Thank you,

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