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WENDY L. VACHET Executive Director

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Greetings from the City of Gary Redevelopment Department!

You are receiving this letter because our records indicate that your home is next door to an empty lot/ parcel owned by the City that qualifies as a "Side-lot".

If you so choose, you *may* be eligible to acquire this lot/ parcel through the City's "Side-lot Program." This program gives homeowners (owner occupied primary residence) the opportunity to acquire an unoccupied, vacant lot that borders their existing property, at minimal cost to the homeowner, with taxes assessed during the *following* calendar year.

Information regarding the Side-lot Program is included herein. If you are interested, please take the first step and fill out an application. Program and application information is also available online to https//gary.gov/redevelopment/side-lot-program (download the application), and at our downtown office located in the Centier Bank Building, 504 Broadway, Second floor, Gary, Indiana 46402.

Your application will be reviewed to determine your eligibility. If your residence qualifies, you will be notified.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Paula Beeks, our Side-lot Program Coordinator at sidelotprogram@gary.gov (preferred) or call the Redevelopment Office at 219.886.1531.

Sincerely,

Ms. Wendy L. Vachet, AICP **Executive Director of Redevelopment** City of Gary 504 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Gary, Indiana 46402