



The city with a heart

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Attn: Docket Number 2002-17

To Whom It May Concern:

Home ownership has been an area of vital concern to me. I have served as a member of the Elkhart Common Council since 1984 and represent a district which traditionally has a relatively low rate of home ownership. One of my primary objectives has been to help ensure that members of my community have every opportunity possible to own a home. Not only does this objective help improve the quality of life for individuals and families, but also home ownership strengthens the fabric of our neighborhoods and community as a whole.

The Alternative Mortgage Act went a long way to help families to own their own homes in my community. I am writing now to encourage the Office of Thrift Supervision not to modify the Parity Act and to allow our home ownership initiatives to remain intact so that more of our citizens can realize the dream of home ownership.

Sincerely,

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 Councilman, 5th District

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