March 14, 2019

Chris Garvin
Barrett Johnson
John Garvin
Cadence Real Estate

Dear Chris Garvin, John Garvin, and Barrett Johnson:

We, the undersigned tenants at the Chateau Apartments, along with Councilmember Kshama Sawant, need to hear directly from you about your plans to demolish and replace our apartment building, and what commitments you are prepared to make to ensure that we continue to live with affordability in our neighborhood.

We are working class people, low-income seniors, and we are a diverse community. Several of us have lived at the Chateau for years, even decades. These are our homes, and many of us have nowhere else to go. Our churches, shopping places, elderly relatives, friends, and community centers are nearby.

Recently, your property manager announced that you will be terminating the Section 8 housing at the Chateau at the end of this year, displacing many of us. Your representatives have described plans to demolish our building of 21 affordable family-sized rental apartments, and replace it with 72 to 80 tiny apartments.

Your plan to displace us, with a project that will make Cadence large profits at our expense, without solid commitments for our continued housing, is unacceptable.

The Seattle City Council's Human Services, Equitable Development, and Renters Rights Committee meeting on Saturday March 16th will be focusing on tenant displacement at the Chateau Apartments. We urge you to attend the meeting to explain your development plans and your commitments to us, and to hear our housing needs:

Seattle City Council's Human Services, Equitable Development, and Renters Rights Committee meeting
Saturday, March 16
1:00PM
at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 124 21st Ave, Seattle 98122

You may contact Councilmember Sawant's staff for further information: Sasha Comer 206-684-8016 (office) sasha.somer@seattle.gov

Sincerely,

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Kshama Sawant, Seattle City Council

