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Dear Manitowoc Plan Commission,

I am writing in support of the proposed Manitowoc Warming Shelter to be housed within First Presbyterian Church at 502 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St. Manitowoc, WI 54220.

I have lived in Manitowoc for 60 years. I worked in healthcare for 33 of those years and the last 7 years for a local non-profit that supports those in our community struggling with housing insecurity, among other things. I also serve on committees and a board that knows the direct impacts of homelessness on people in our county. During the 40 years of my work career, I have been in contact with individuals needing extra support in many ways. However, the housing/homelessness concerns/needs have increased exponentially in the last several years.

I am thankful for the Manitowoc Warming Shelter group that is willing to step up and "do something" and I am in full support of their plan. I have attended meetings and heard the plan and the due diligence the group has done to make this a safe, dignity preserving option for those who will use the shelter and the neighboring community members and businesses. Please approve the request of a Conditional Use Permit and help this needed option become a reality.

Thank you,

Lisa Stricklin