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Honorable Mayor & Common Council Members:

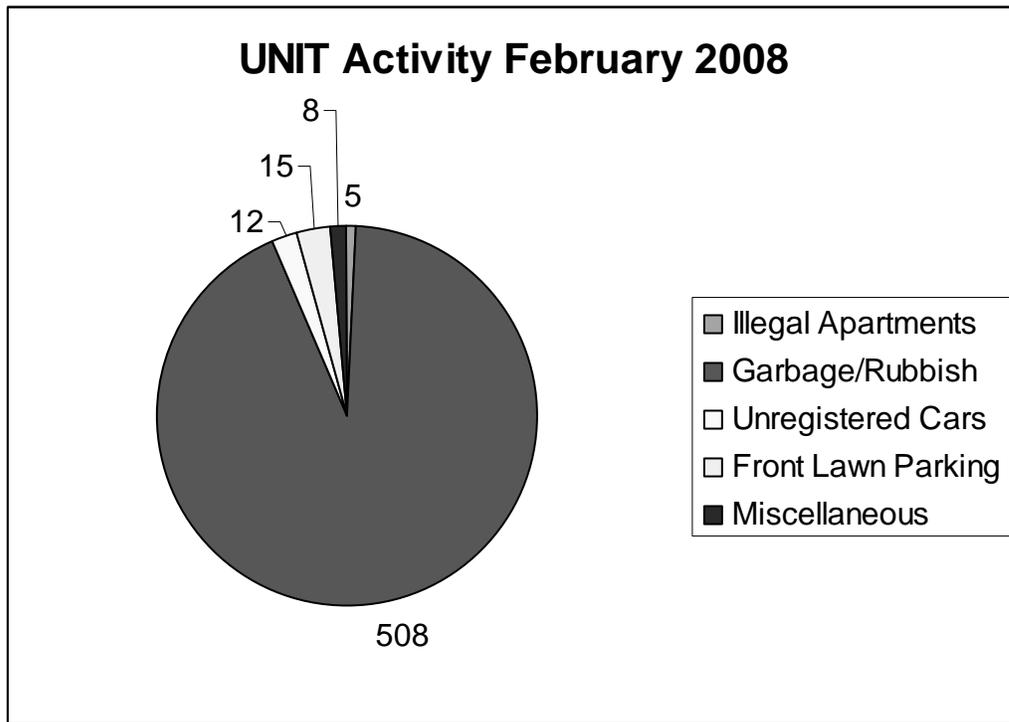
Despite the shortened calendar month the UNIT made the most of all opportunities to continue the fight against blight in our City. A systematic inspection sweep was conducted focusing on the properties located in the area south of White St and east of Main St (referred to hereon as the East-Central area of the City). This inspection totaled 403 inspections of properties on the following streets:

Whitlock St
Wilson St
Robinview Terrace
Wooster St
Grand St
South St
Triangle St
Byron St
Shalvoy's Lane
Cook St
Austin St
Wildman St
Chestnut St Extension
Chappelle St
Durant St
Taylor St
Pahquioque Ave

In addition to said inspections a referral was submitted by the Common Council in regards to East Pearl Street. UNIT inspectors responded by conducting extensive exterior

inspections of the entire street. On February 5, 2008 a complaint was received in the UNIT office in regards to an illegal basement apartment located at 49 Town Hill Avenue. The UNIT is proud to say that the area has already been inspected, deemed unsafe by different departments, rectified, and restored to its original condition and intended use. The UNIT was also able to clear an illegal occupancy in the basement located at 6 Staples Street which had been an issue that extended over many weeks prior to this report.

Below is a graph illustrating UNIT activity over the past month; this graph will change according to the types of calls that the inspectors are called to and help with. Miscellaneous may include such calls as, but not limited to, enforcement of shopping cart ordinance, assisting animal control, and looking into drainage or septic problems. Front lawn parking, which was brought to the Council's attention last month as a growing problem is heretofore listed as its own category rather than being grouped with the miscellaneous category as it had been done in previous reports. This chart includes the East-Central Sweep that was conducted by UNIT inspectors.



311 Report February 2008

This past month saw the 311 Call Center receive over 480 calls extended over a shorter period of time than other months. Many residents are eager for the next Clean City Danbury Day – which has been formally announced as May 3, 2008 – while other residents are using the 311 Call Center to report mailbox damage after a snowstorm, to request salt/sand to a specific area that is frozen over. Many residents continue to call looking for City events such as Saturdays With the Mayor, parade schedules, park calendars, wildlife concerns, and traffic concerns – specifically when newly-installed

traffic lights will go live (such as on Clapboard Ridge Rd and on Lee Mac Ave). Still other residents have found the 311 Call Center to be more reliable and resourceful than a phone book and will use the Department to find phone numbers for other City Departments, State Departments, Federal Agencies, and tax information. If history holds true, there will be an influx of calls relating to Clean City Danbury Day and inquiries as to when street sweeping will begin in the upcoming weeks.

If we can be of any assistance to you or residents in your ward please contact us at 796-8026 or 311.

Sincerely,

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