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**[EXTERNAL] 1300 my forever Home**

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With friends in the Mies and Chateaufort, I visited Lafayette Park often and when 1300 converted to a cooperative in 1981, I knew that this would be my home. Encouraged by a friend Mrs Lewis (Nicolet PI), “they won’t build them like that again”, I blocked out the words of my boss who advised against buying a coop in Detroit. But in speaking to a life-long learner and young working women raised in Detroit his advice fell flat. I wouldn’t be anywhere else and have been here ever since, whether working in the city, volunteering or commuting over the last 50 years .

Each Detroit neighborhood, each city block, each high rise floor depends on their neighbor to contribute to the well-being of one another. From our food and water to the air that we breathe and heat that warms us, we need to share in making the services work for everyone to keep housing affordable, safe and sound.

Neighborhoods are part of a beautiful blending of open spaces, buildings and businesses that bring people together to make the intricate mosaic that helps a community not just survive but also thrive.

As part of the Lafayette Park Residential District, 1300 East along with our neighbors in Mies van der Rohe, brought together as we plant gardens, trim trees , plow the snow, walk to work, shop, vote, volunteer, attend church , nurture children and play outdoors.

Please help us reach out to our neighbors to have them consider what it means to have been raised in the city and want to stay here and enjoy retirement with the necessity of heat included! As we reinvest at 1300 for the long term, Detroit Thermal is our preferred choice to get us through those unpredictable Michigan winters.

We all thank you for the Beautiful Views, Sunday walks along the river , the summer fireworks and the promise of better tomorrow's and good work making neighborhoods places to grow.

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