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From:

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To:

Dan and Fairley Bell Cook

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Re: structural issue in the main house at 2111 Cook Ridge Ct.

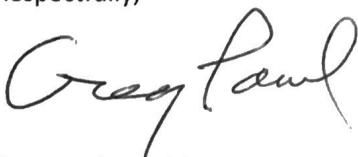
I have personally inspected the area at the top of the main stair where settling is evident. There is deflection in 2nd floor floor/first floor ceiling that exceeds current industry standards.

Also, I have seen photos of the house when it was under construction and see that the area in question would not meet today's building code, but would have done so when it was constructed in the 1950's.

If a current or future owner would like to have the deflection in that area corrected, there would need to be further exploratory inspection by a structural engineer that would include selective demolition of the affected area before a plan could be made.

My recommendation is to not attempt to repair the deflection, as the expense would certainly be much larger than any benefit. There is no risk to health and safety, or to the longevity of the building due to the deflection.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Paul". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

Greg Paul, President