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FALL & WINTER MAINTENANCE

Structural

- Have you checked walks, patios, driveways and garage floors for cracks?
- Do foundation walls, steps and retaining walls appear to be structurally sound?
- O Have you cleaned your chimney and checked vents?

Roofing

- Have you checked the roof for damage or missing shingles?
- Have you examined the underside of roof for stains, leaks, dampness and condensation?

Exterior -

- O Have you replaced screen doors with winter storm doors?
- O Have you examined and repaired missing caulk around windows and doors?
- Have you weather-stripped doors that lead to cold or outside areas?

Interior -

- Have you removed and stored screens from windows?
- Have you checked bathroom tile joints, tub grout and caulking?
- O Have you reversed ceiling fans to push heat down?

Electrical -

- Have you checked visible wiring and cables for wear and damage?
- Have you checked your electrical outlets for potential fire hazards such as frayed wires or loose-fitting plugs?
- Have you recently tested GFIs (ground fault circuit interrupters)?

Heating and Cooling

- Are you changing or cleaning furnace filters and air-conditioning filters monthly?
- O Have you serviced your furnace and heat pump?
- O Have you tested your humidifier?

Insulation and Ventilation

- O Have you checked your attic for proper insulation?
- Are your attic louvers and vents open?

Water Control

- Have you cleaned gutters, leaders, strainers, window wells and drains?
- Are you sure that downspouts direct water away from the foundation?

Waste Disposal

 Have you cleaned your septic tank within the last two years?

Property

- Stored or covered patio furniture?
- O Pruned shrubs and perennials, removed annuals?
- O Homeowner's insurance policy current?

Lots and Grounds

- O Stowed and winterized your mower?
- O Tested your snow removal equipment to make sure it is operable and accessible?
- O Stocked your shovel and salt or deicer?

Environmental

• Have you checked vents, louvers and chimneys for birds nest, squirrels or insects?

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