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LETTER OF EXPLANATION

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Subject: Variance Request

Property Address: 5215 Sixth Street, Brooklyn Park MD 21225

<u>Variance Request</u>: To install a porch to match existing porch dimensions and setbacks, and to add back the roof that fell off in August of 2010.

<u>Hardship</u>: Current zoning regulations do not allow installing a roofed porch as it was before because it encroaches into the front yard.

Project Description:

This property was built in 1930 and the original home included an L shaped wraparound porch. The porch was made out of masonry and consisted of a concrete slab, support columns, a roof and steps. Up to approximately August of 2010 the roof of the porch remained intact. After that time the roof fell off. Presently the concrete is deteriorated. Please see photos provided.

<u>Property</u>: The property is approximately 70' wide. The depth is 202' in Anne Arundel County and an additional 148' in the City of Baltimore. The property has an area of 13,650 sf in Anne Arundel County and approximately 9,450 sf in the City of Baltimore. It is flat. The neighborhood is a dense neighborhood and the majority of the lots are narrow. Many of the existing homes sit close to the front property line.

<u>Residence</u>: The existing residence is approximately 18' high and occupies an area of 798 sf. It measures 52' by 15'. The setbacks are: front yard 25', side yards 29' and 28' and rear yard is approximately 125' in Anne Arundel County and an additional 148' in the City of Baltimore.

<u>Porch</u>: The current porch no longer has a roof. The height is 3'. It is 7' deep along the front and along the side. The front length is 20' and the side length is 24'. The front yard setback is 16'. The side yard setbacks are 30' and 21'. The rear yard setback is approximately 161' in Anne Arundel County and an additional 148' in the City of Baltimore. The square footage is 276 sf. Once the roof is added the total height will be approximately 15'.

The owner would like to install a new porch of the same dimensions as what is currently there but adding back the roof that it formerly had. It would also be made out of masonry. The setbacks would all remain the same as what is there now. Current zoning regulations do not allow a porch of these dimensions to be installed. It would be too close to the front property line. It is our request that a variance be granted that would allow the owner to construct a new roofed porch of the same dimensions as what is there now and adding back the roof.

If any additional information is required I can be reached at 717-802-1486 or marcel@lazooutdoors.com.

