February 10, 2015

RE: 8276 Burnlake Drive - Building Permit BLD12-01670

Dear Board Members,

This letter is to support our request to keep our attachment building.

In the past, my family and I have suffered from a break-in to our house. The intruder had entered our house through the back patio door of the unattached building. As there is a six feet gap between these two buildings, people can easily hide between that gap. In addition, my house is backed on a green belt where there is prominent pedestrian traffic, and we often see strangers walking around the area and within vicinity of our home. The attached building therefore serves as a security measure, and would aid in ensuring the safety of me, my wife, and our two young daughters.

The attachment building is also not on our neighbour's property, nor is it in any view of them. The only way to see the attachment would be through an aerial view. It is therefore not an obstruction to the neighbourhood.

Furthermore, our current financial situation has made it difficult for my family, as it would be very costly to remove the attached building. My wife is currently battling an illness, which has entrenched my family in a financial crisis. On top of paying off our large mortgage, we are struggling to borrow money from the bank. We would be deprived of the sufficient funds to continue supporting my wife with her illness if we were to deconstruct the attachment..

Lastly, due to the location of the house and the garage, we have found a risk of the area between the buildings of becoming rotten due to the settlement of snow and rain. We were advised of this by the previous owner when we purchased this house in 2010. We sought to rectify this situation by enclosing this gap with attachment.

We hope that The Board would consider my situation and let me and my family keep the attached building. It was built in an attempt to protect my family's safety and prevent the decomposition of the land. Please consider the importance of this attachment to us and try to help us. We thank you with our utmost gratitude for any effort you can offer us.

Sincerely,

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