AFFIDAVIT

1. My name is Rainer K. Kraus. I am a retired attorney, 100 percent disabled, since late 1993, early 1994 (stroke damage, blind, amputee (leg). I live at 2964 Newark Street, NW, Washington, D.C., where I have resided for over 30 years.

2. In the Spring (or early summer) of 1993, I had a parking pad (authorized by the city in 1976) that was developing holes at the end closest to the house, because the bricks laid in 1976 did not extend far enough, for parking purposes, for my large car.

3. Having been through the zoning process in 1976, in building the original parking pad (the legality of which is undisputed), I called the District government to determine whether I needed another permit to extend my original pad. After having been passed around from person to person, I finally spoke to someone in Planning and Zoning and was gold, without any qualifications, that no permit nor other procedure was necessary if I were simply extending, within the same plane, and with the same type of material, the existing pad.

4. As a matter of fact, I made notes of my conversations with various District officials and specifically quoted the advice I was given, namely, that no permit was necessary. I kept these notes for a number of years, but they have long since been discarded. In my legal work, I normally disposed of documents several years after they seemed no longer vital, and did the same in this case.

Rainer K. Kraus

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of Nov., 1998

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