Affidavit

In the Matter of Application 16558
Before the Board of Zoning Adjustment

March 15, 2000

My name is Ruth Uhlmann. I own and reside at the premises at 3902 Jocelyn Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. My property directly abuts the rear yard of the premises at 5308 39th Street, for which the present variance is requested.

I have resided at 3902 Jocelyn Street continuously for 34 years. During that period of time, I have known both of the families who owned and occupied the premises at 5308 39th Street, before those premises were purchased four years ago by the Applicant in this proceeding.

Each of the prior families at 5308 39th Street had four members. Both families entertained frequently. The second family, in particular, often entertained groups from the church where they were both active and where he was the choir director.

I was close friends with both of those families. Our children grew up together. For 30 years, we saw each other on an almost daily basis. We were frequently in each others' homes. Our conversations covered a wide range of domestic subjects, including matters relating to each others' houses. Given the range and frequency of our conversations, I would certainly have expected members of these families to express dissatisfaction with the size of the kitchen if this had been a matter of concern to them.

At no time during those 30 years did either of those families undertake to construct a new kitchen. At no time did I hear anyone in either family express dissatisfaction with the size of the existing kitchen.

Respectfully submitted,

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