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June 27, 2001

Mr. Michael Johnson, Zoning Administrator
Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs
941 North Capital Street, N.E., 2nd Floor
Washington, D.C. 20002

Re: Decision and Order in BZA Appeal No. 16646;
5655 Moreland Street, N.W.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

One month ago, our attorney Cynthia Giordano sent you a letter for your countersignature. My husband called you several days later, on June 5, asking that you either sign the letter, reinstating our building permits, or write a brief explanation of your decision not to sign that would include the steps we would have to follow in order to get the permits reinstated. We have heard nothing from you.

Ms. Giordano's May 27 letter states that you followed the BZA's order by referring the permits to the Department of Public Works and that the answer you received from DPW official Michelle Pourciau confirmed that no condemnation of the property had begun. That answer is the only information you needed from DPW to determine that you acted correctly in granting the permits in the first place. We also, through Ms. Giordano's letter, provided you with the other information that the BZA order asked you to review: gross floor area and location of the building on the lot. We can see no reason why the permits have not been reinstated.

Now I have learned that you are about to leave Washington for a new job in another city, and I fear that you will leave this matter unfinished. That would be a great injustice to us. We have had building permits revoked for the sole reason, according to the BZA, that your office did not refer them to DPW for clearance. They have now been cleared. Please don't leave this matter for someone else to clean up; please don't make us start over. We have incurred huge legal expenses up to this point—and have done nothing wrong.

Ms. Giordano tells me you are a fair person. I hope she's right.

Yours sincerely,

Linda Musser Shiner

Cc: Cynthia Giordano
Jerrily Kress

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