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District of Columbia Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, NW, suite 200-S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Variance Request for Residential Addition (Form 120 Application for a Variance /Special Exception)

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the property owners Nancy Taggart and John Furlow of 5318 Reno Rd, NW we are seeking relief from the minimum width requirement of section 406 "Courts" of the zoning code for an addition on their property.

The property is currently a single family residence and will remain so after the proposed addition.

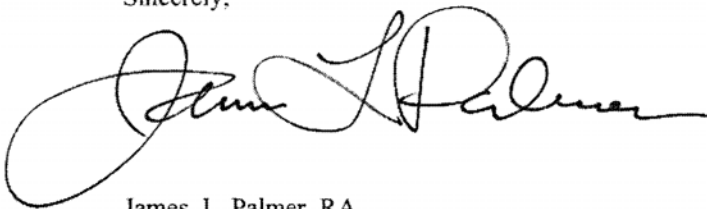
We are seeking relief from this requirement on the basis of provisions described by Section 223 "Zoning Relief for Additions to One-Family Dwellings or Flats (R-1) and for New or Enlarged Accessory Structures" which allow a non-compliant structure to be approved.

Section 223.2: The proposed addition shall not have a substantially adverse effect on the use or enjoyment of any abutting or adjacent dwelling or property because it is located centrally on the property and away from property boundaries with adjacent residences. (refer to enclosed survey plat and site plan A11).

- a. The light and air available to the neighboring properties will not be unduly compromised because of the adequate distance from neighboring properties (refer to enclosed survey plat and site plan A11).
- b. The privacy of use and enjoyment of neighboring properties will not be unduly compromised because of the adequate distance from neighboring properties (refer to enclosed survey plat and site plan A11).
- c. The addition, together with the original building, as viewed from surrounding streets does not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale and pattern of nearby houses. The addition is similar in architectural character and subservient in scale to the original building. (refer to enclosed elevation drawing A41)

Section 223.3: The proposed lot occupancy will be 21% and well within the 40% maximum allowable (refer to Form 135)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James L. Palmer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and end.

James. L. Palmer, RA

CC: File

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.19284
EXHIBIT NO.5