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VARIANCE APPLICATION

For Office Use Only
Petition No.: _____
Date: _____
Fee Paid: _____

PETITION FEE: \$100 FOR VARIANCE

The Petitioner shall appear in his own behalf or by representation at the zoning Board of Appeals meeting. FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL BE SUFFICIENT CAUSE FOR DISMISSAL OF THE PETITION.

PROPERTY ADDRESS FOR VARIANCE: _____

LENGTH OF OWNERSHIP: _____

PETITIONER Name: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE/FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

PROPERTY OWNER Name: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE/FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

USE VARIANCE REQUEST AND APPLICABLE SECTION OF ZONING ORDINANCE:

THE PETITIONER MUST DEMONSTRATE THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXIST:

Use variance is requested when the use proposed by a petitioner is not listed as either permitted or as a special land use in the district in which the property is located.

Use variances are rarely warranted, and may only be granted when the Zoning board of Appeals makes all of the following findings:

1. Master Plan Compliance: The proposed use is consistent with the use designated on the Village's Future Land Use Map in the Master Plan for the subject property.

2. Compatibility with Surroundings: The proposed use is compatible with existing

or planned uses on surrounding properties.

3. Unreasonable Zoning: The petitioner has demonstrated the site cannot reasonably be used for any of the uses allowed under current zoning.

4. Infrastructural Compatibility: Public utilities and streets are sufficient to accommodate the proposed use.

5. Unnecessary Hardship: An unnecessary hardship on the property in question as the result of unique circumstances such as, exceptional narrowness; exceptional topographic conditions or other extraordinary situations on the land, building or structure; use or development of the property.

6. **Minimum Variance Necessary:** The variance requested is the minimum necessary to permit reasonable use of the land.

7. **Criteria for Use Variance:** The conditions causing the need for the variance request were not created by any affirmative action of the applicant and would have existed regardless of ownership of the property.

I hereby give permission for the Village of Stockbridge officials, staff and consultants to site inspect the property for which the above referenced variance is requested for purposes of verifying information in the submitted application.

Date

Signature

Print Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ (month) _____ (year)

Notary Public: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

Please fill out the following questions:

A. Show that the property could not be reasonably used for the purposes permitted in the zone in question.

B. Show that the appeal results from unique circumstances peculiar to the property and not from general neighborhood conditions:

C. Show that the use requested by the variance would not alter the essential character of the area:

D. Show that the alleged hardship has not been created by any person presently having an interest in the property:
