May 15, 2014

Sycamore Township Board of Zoning Appeals 8540 Kenwood Road Cincinnati, OH 45236

Dear Board Members,

Our residence is located at 8559 Kenwood Rd in Sycamore Township. The side of our house faces Kenwood Rd. We are requesting a variance from Section 10-7.1, as we would like to put a 6' privacy fence along our backyard. The proposed fence would enclose our back yard and would start at 25.7' from Kenwood Rd.

We are requesting this variance for safety reasons. We live on a very busy road and we have two young children (Hudson 4 yrs & Piper 2 yrs). There is a constant stream of traffic on Kenwood Rd and adding a privacy fence to the backyard, will provide a safe place for them to play when they go outside.

Recently, our steel post mailbox was struck down by a car driving on Kenwood Rd. This incident clearly demonstrates how drivers are not paying attention and/or are driving at speeds upwards of 40mph on Kenwood Rd. This variance will provide an additional layer of protection from those cars driving on Kenwood Rd.

We are requesting that the privacy fence start at 25.7' from Kenwood Rd. We have a concrete patio that does not allow for the fence to start further back from Kenwood Rd. We need the fence to enclose this patio so that the kids are able to play safely in the backyard.

Thank you for your time and for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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