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Board of Zoning Appeals 8540 Kenwood Road Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236

Re: Variance at 7767 Styrax Lane

**Dear Board Members:** 

Please accept this letter as a request for a variance at the property located at 7767 Styrax Lane. This request is for Section 10-7.1.

When I purchased the property in August of 2011, there was an existing fence, which is beginning to deteriorate. A picture of the existing fence is attached. Because I have a small child (4 years old), this fence provides needed security for her while playing in our yard.

We are proposing replacing this existing fence, which currently is set back 12' from Styrax Lane. In order to be more in keeping with the zoning requirements for fences, we are proposing putting in a new fence which would be set back 18' from Styrax Lane, which would be 6' further than the existing fence line. We would replace the fence on the side yard facing Styrax Lane with 4' high black aluminum fence, which will have open face areas of no less than 75 percent. In addition to maintaining the needed security, this would also help to keep the air conditioning unit, which is located on the Styrax side of the house, obstructed from view from the street.

The fence on the back side of the house would be 6' high privacy fence constructed of cedar dog ear picket fence. We believe that this fence is attractive and will enhance the appearance of the property.

We appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely.

Laura E. Brown