PUPPYWOOD PET RESORT

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Board Of Zoning Appeals 8540 Kenwood Rd Cincinnati Oh 45236

To whom it may concern,

We are writing you today to request a variance for a dumpster enclosure. Our request for an enclosure using 6' high privacy fencing was denied citing zoning code 10-5.3. The code states that the enclosure for a dumpster must be constructed of stone or masonry product.

We are requesting a variance due to several factors which we feel should be taken into consideration in your decision on our behalf.

Puppywood Pet Resort has been operating in the township since October of 2008. During the time since our initial permit of occupancy until 2018 this is the first time we have been instructed that any enclosure at all was required.

The way our building is situated places the dumpster in an area that is away from the view from all but one vantage point.

Constructing the enclosure out of masonry will actually make the structure stand out and be more noticeable than using the same material to match all of the fencing in the surrounding area. The privacy fencing we are suggesting will be more ascetically pleasing on our property than masonry or concrete. On the suggestion of the board, we can either paint the enclosure to match the surrounding fencing, or leave the natural wood.

Our final reason for requesting the variance is that it places a hardship on our business. Since we have operated without an enclosure being required and not having time to plan for this change, the financial burden of the zoning required enclosure is substantial. The enclosure we have proposed will cost us approximately \$4000.00 to have installed. The enclosure required by the code would cost 4-5 times that amount. We simply do not have enough expendable capital to spend that amount on screening our trash container.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

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