

## Letter of Intent

8661 Lancaster Avenue

September 27, 2010

A year ago we purchased the turn-of-the-century farm house at 8661 Lancaster because we saw it's potential. For almost 100 years modest, unpretentious families have called this place home and it was apparent that although it needed updating and renovation, it had been well loved. From day one our intent has been to repair and restore the integrity and character of this homestead as we live in it.

So far we have refinished or replaced all the hard wood floors in the house, installed new insulation and HVAC, repaired the roof, and revamped the living room including electrical upgrade and handmade wood trim (by Dan) on all the windows, doors, and floor. Last spring we cultivated the overgrown garden and produced a healthy harvest of vegetables and flowers. We are on our way to remodel each room as well as update the kitchen and two bathrooms.


**The front of the farm house needs its porch restored.** The original porch was removed in the 60's when a living room was added. Our intention is to bring back the authenticity of the farm house by adding a well constructed, attractive wood porch to replicate its historical character.

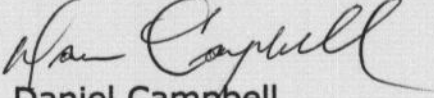


This projected spindled porch across the front of the house will add dignity and appeal to its present blank front. It will blend the 1960 addition with the original structure and complement the beautification work emerging inside the home. In addition the new look of the house will increase street appeal and add value to the neighborhood.

We are prepared to bear all costs and have hired a highly qualified architect and well regarded contractor to assure that the work is completed to our high standards. We are proud of the work we have accomplished inside and look forward to extending it to the exterior of our home.

Our farmhouse has been at 8661 Lancaster for almost 100 years, long before zoning stipulations were envisioned and probably before Crystal Avenue even existed. We respectfully ask that you grant us the opportunity to continue to embellish and improve our home and our Sycamore Township neighborhood. It will not adversely affect the health, safety or welfare of the neighbors or surrounding community.

  
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