



Baltimore County  
Department of Permits and  
Development Management

Development Processing  
County Office Building  
111 West Chesapeake Avenue  
Towson, Maryland 21204

December 4, 1997

James G. Boylan, Esquire  
1308 Vincent Place  
P.O. Box 1174  
McLean, Virginia 22101-1174

RE: Zoning Verification  
1721 Reisterstown Road  
Holiday Inn - Pikesville  
3rd Election District

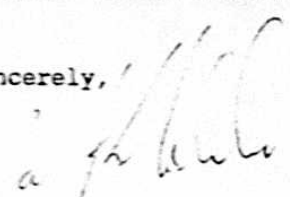
Dear Mr. Boylan:

This letter responds to your request dated November 7, 1997. The property is currently zoned B.L. (Business Local). That zoning was partially in place on the 1955 zoning maps. Then, as now, it required a special exception hearing to permit a hotel. Case #5278-RX reclassified a portion of the property to B.L. and granted a special exception for a hotel. Subsequent variance hearings (5706-V and 63-123-V for a sign height variance, and 74-228-A, parking variance) for parking were granted and are still in effect within the terms of the order.

There are no current code violation citations on record in this office and to the best of our knowledge, no zoning actions or building permit applications.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

  
John R. Alexander  
Planner II  
Zoning Review

JRA:rye

c: zoning cases 74-228-A,  
63-123-V, 5706-V, & 5278-RX

Enclosure



FEDERAL MOTOR INNS, INC. NO. 63-123-Variance  
E/S Reisterstown Road 652.32' to base line of the  
right-of-way of the Beltway 3rd District  
Variance from Section 413.5 (d)

Sept. 24, 1963 Petition filed  
Nov. 26 Variance DENIED by Z.C.  
Dec. 18 Order of Appeal to County Board of Appeals filed by Joseph S. Kaufman, Esq., Attorney for Petitioner  
Oct. 29, 1964 Variance DENIED by the Board  
Nov. 30 Order of Appeal to Circuit Court filed by Mr. Kaufman (Court File #2137)  
Dec. 29 Called Mr. Kaufman regarding check to cover cost of certified documents. He stated that the appeal would be dropped.  
May 8, 1967 No formal dismissal entered on Court docket. Appeal automatically dropped due to time running out for the filing of the proceedings  
8 File closed and returned to Zoning Department

RECEIVED  
ZONING DEPARTMENT  
NOV 11 1963  
11/10/63

FEDERAL MOTOR INNS, INC.,  
a body corporate  
1721 Reisterstown Road  
Pikesville, Baltimore County,  
Maryland  
v.  
O. MITCHELL AUSTIN,  
W. GILES PARKER, and  
WILLIAM S. BALDWIN,  
constituting and comprising the  
COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS  
County Office Building  
Towson, Maryland 21204

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR  
BALTIMORE COUNTY

# ORDER FOR APPEAL

MR. CLERK:

Pursuant to Rules B 2-4, inclusive, of the Maryland Rules of Procedure, please enter an appeal to the Circuit Court for Baltimore County from an Order of the County Board of Appeals dated October 29, 1964 (No. 63-123-V), denying to Federal Motor Inns, Inc., t/a Holiday Inn, variance for the raising of its sign on Reisterstown Road.

Joseph S. Kaufman  
Ten Light Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202  
727-2800  
Attorney for Federal Motor  
Inns, Inc., Appellant

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Order of Appeal was mailed to Edith T. Risenhart, Secretary of the County Board of Appeals, County Office Building, Towson, Maryland, on the 1st day of November, 1964, in compliance with Rules B 2 and 308 (c) of the Maryland Rules of Procedure.

Joseph S. Kaufman  
Attorney for Appellant

## BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Mr. John G. Rose, Zoning Commissioner Date: October 24, 1963

FROM: Mr. Gordon R. Sattville, Deputy Director

SUBJECT: #63-123-V. Variance to permit a sign height of 35 feet instead of permitted 25 feet. East side of Reisterstown Road 652.36 feet to base line of the right-of-way of the Baltimore County Beltway. Being property of Federal Motor Inns, Inc.

3rd District

REMARKS: Wednesday, November 6, 1963 (11:00 A.M.)

The Planning staff will offer no comment with respect to the subject petition.

LAW OFFICES OF  
MELNICOVE, ASCH, GREENBERG & KALFMAN  
10 LIGHT STREET  
THIRTY-THIRD FLOOR  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21202

BERNARD S. MELNICOVE  
JEROME A. ASCH  
MANDEE F. GREENBERG  
JOSEPH S. KALFMAN  
RONALD A. KATZ  
ARNOLD W. WEINER

December 31, 1963

Hon. John G. Rose,  
Zoning Commissioner  
Baltimore County  
County Office Building  
Towson 4, Maryland  
Attention: Mrs. Harris

Re: Petition for Variance of Section 413.5D of Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, East-side of Reisterstown Rd. 652.32 feet from the right of way of Baltimore County Beltway, Third District. Federal Motor Inns, Inc., Petitioner, No. 63-123-V.

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Confirming our telephone conversation of today, I am enclosing herewith our check in the amount of \$40.00 for the cost of the appeal in the above matter. It is our understanding that you will forthwith return to me our check of \$70.00, which I forwarded to your office on December 18, 1963.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH S. KAUFMAN

JSK:bb  
enc.

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE  
from Section 413.5 (d) of the  
Zoning Regulations  
E/S Reisterstown Road, 652.32'  
to base line of the R/W of the  
Baltimore County Beltway  
3rd District  
Federal Motor Inns, Inc.,  
Petitioner

BEFORE  
COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS  
OF  
BALTIMORE COUNTY  
No. 63-123-V

### OPINION

The subject hearing arose as a result of the petitioner's request for a variance from Section 413.5 (d) of the Zoning Regulations to permit a height of 35 feet instead of the required 25', of a sign located at the Holiday Inn on Reisterstown Road near its intersection with the Baltimore County Beltway.

The petitioner contends that the Board, under its powers as granted in Section 307, should grant a variance from the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County; that it is contended strict compliance by the petitioner would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship to him.

The only testimony presented before the Board as to hardship was that of Mr. John A. Scher, General Manager of the Holiday Inn, who testified to the effect that many people going past the property could not find the motel because of the obstructions to the signs. There was conflicting testimony as to the visibility of the sign to the travelling motorist in seeking out a place of lodging. However, it appears to the Board that the sign can be adequately seen and does adequately advertise the business conducted on the premises. To decide otherwise in this case would put the Board in a position of being custom sign designers for each commercial enterprise along a major highway. Further, the Board foresees that if this variance were granted the adjoining businesses could then legitimately make the same request on the basis that the higher sign blocks out their sign which could, foreseeably, lead to a series of tower like structures along the road, each business seeking to elevate its sign above that of its neighbors.

Since we do not find any practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship as contemplated under Section 307 of the Zoning Regulations, we see no reason whatever to grant the requested variance.

### ORDER

For the reasons set forth in the foregoing Opinion, it is this 29 day of October, 1964 by the County Board of Appeals, ORDERED that the variance petitioned for, be and the same is hereby denied.

Any appeal from this decision must be in accordance with Chapter 1100, subtitle B of Maryland Rules of Procedure, 1961 edition.

COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS  
OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

G. Mitchell Austin, Chairman  
W. Giles Parker  
William S. Baldwin

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Joseph S. Kaufman, Esq.,  
10 Light Street  
Baltimore 2, Md.

Dear Mr. Kaufman:

Attached is your check for \$70.00 which you paid for the appeal costs in the matter of the petition of Federal Motor Inns, Inc.

The appeal cost for a variance to the Zoning Regulations is \$35.00 plus \$5.00 for sign for posting property for the appeal hearing.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours

Gordon R. Sattville

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INVOICE

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

OFFICE OF FINANCE

Division of Collection and Receipts

COURT HOUSE

TOWSON 4, MARYLAND

No. 20229

DATE 12/18/63

TO: Hon. John G. Rose, Zoning Commissioner, Baltimore County, County Office Building, Towson 4, Maryland

REPORT TO ACCOUNT NO. 00-000

QUANTITY

DETAILS UPPER SECTION AND RETURN WITH YOUR REMITTANCE

COST

61.00

1-364 0302 \* \* \* TIL- 1.00

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IMPORTANT: MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND MAIL TO DIVISION OF COLLECTION & RECEIPTS, COURT HOUSE, TOWSON 4, MARYLAND PLEASE RETURN UPPER SECTION OF THIS BILL WITH YOUR REMITTANCE.

December 18, 1963

Re: Petition for Variance of Section 413.5D of Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, East-side of Reisterstown Rd. 650.32 feet from the right of way of Baltimore County Beltway, Third District, Federal Motor Inns, Inc., Petitioner, No. 63-123-Y.

Dear Mr. Rose:

On behalf of Federal Motor Inns, Inc. I do hereby appeal the decision of the Zoning Commission dated November 26, 1963, to the County Board of Appeals, pursuant to the provisions of Section 500.10 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

Enclosed herewith please find our check in the amount of \$70.00 made payable to Baltimore County, which is required under the provisions of Section 501.8.

I would appreciate your taking the necessary steps to having the papers forwarded to the Board of Appeals.

Very truly yours,

Joseph S. Kaufman

JOSEPH S. KAUFMAN

JSK:bb

CC: Mr. Joel Erisch

CC: Mr. Jack Scher, Inkeeper

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Division of Collection and Receipts

COURT HOUSE

TOWSON 4, MARYLAND

No. 20129

DATE 9/26/63

TO: Messrs. Melnicove, Asch, Greenberg & Kaufman, 33rd Fl., Maryland National Bank Building, Baltimore 5, Md.

REPORT TO ACCOUNT NO. 00-000

QUANTITY

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COST

25.00

Petition for Variance for Federal Motor Inns, Inc.

1-2163 4048 \* \* \* TIL- 25.00

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Advertising and posting of property for Federal Motor Inns, Inc.

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Holiday Inns

REISTERSTOWN ROAD AT BALTIMORE BELTWAY - U.S. 140 AND 495

PIKEVILLE, MARYLAND

11-40 Nov 21, 1963

Visited - your sign is pretty better by hand on neighboring property. I shall think they would mark it.

The main reason your sign is not correct is that your design is in conflict with our regulations in that the reading material is too low.

I do not believe that we should make an exception as to height when you could advertise adequately, if you would eliminate the lights on top and run your bottom sign accordingly.

Yours truly,

from Coast to Coast

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CHILDS & ASSOCIATES, INC.

2129 N. Charles St., Baltimore 15, Maryland

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Containing 2.8468 acres of land.

Being part of the deed from Sidney Whitehill and wife to Palmer F. C. Williams and wife, dated October 27, 1930 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber L. McL. M. 858, Folio 303.

RWB:abr 10/15/62

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Towson, Maryland

District - 3rd -

Date of Posting - Oct. 18, 1963

Posted for - Petition for Variance to permit a sign height of 35' instead of the permitted 25'

Petitioner - Federal Motor Inns, Inc.

Location of property - 453-331 - to base line of the R/W of the Baltimore Beltway

Location of Sign - on base line entrance to motel on the N.E. side of Reisterstown Rd.

Remarks -

Posted by - J.B. Brown

Date of return - Oct. 24, 1963

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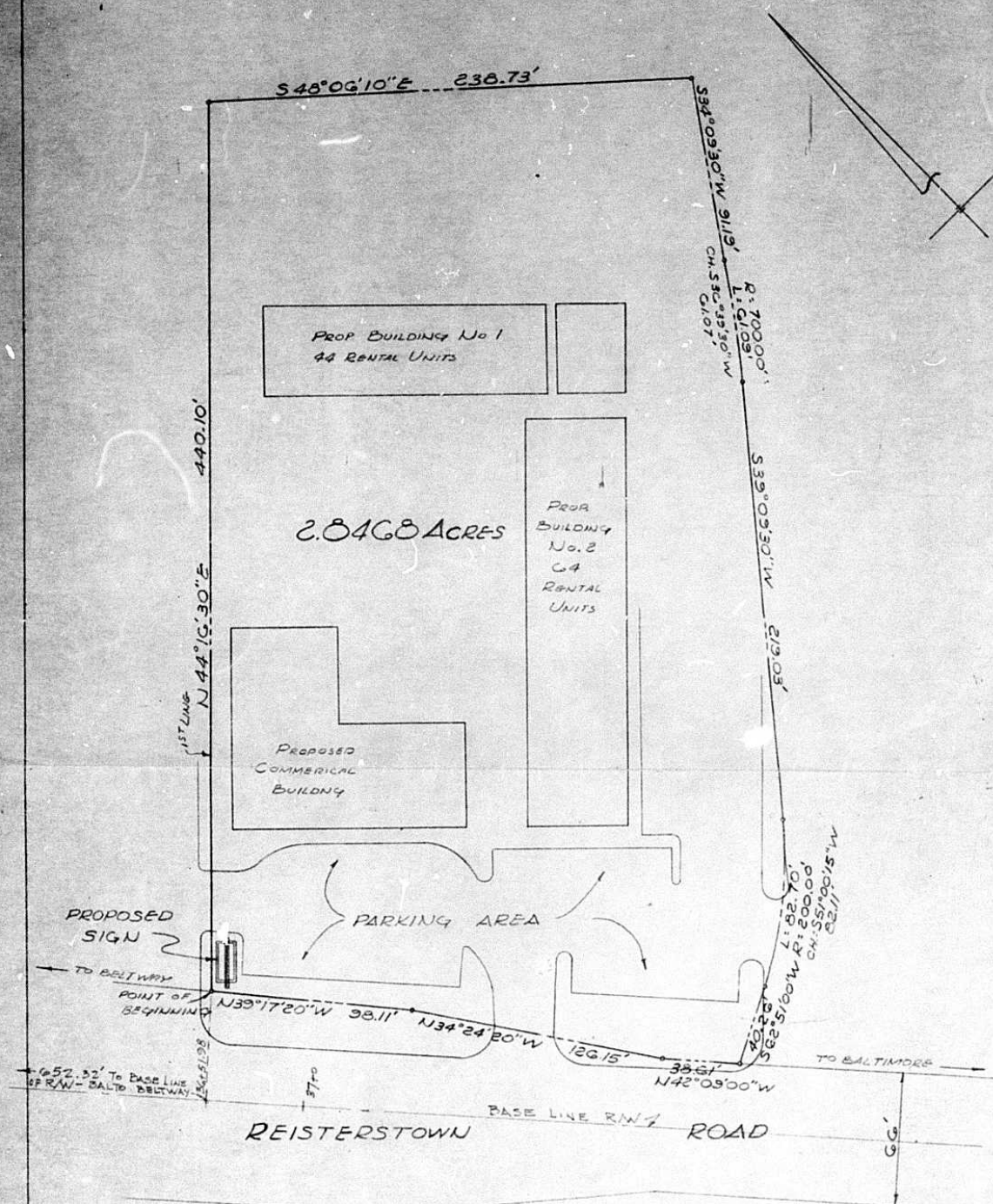
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PLAT TO ACCOMPANY DESCRIPTION

OF

2.8468 ACRE PARCEL

PART OF

PALMER F.C. WILLIAMS PROPERTY

3<sup>RD</sup> ELEC. DIST.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD.

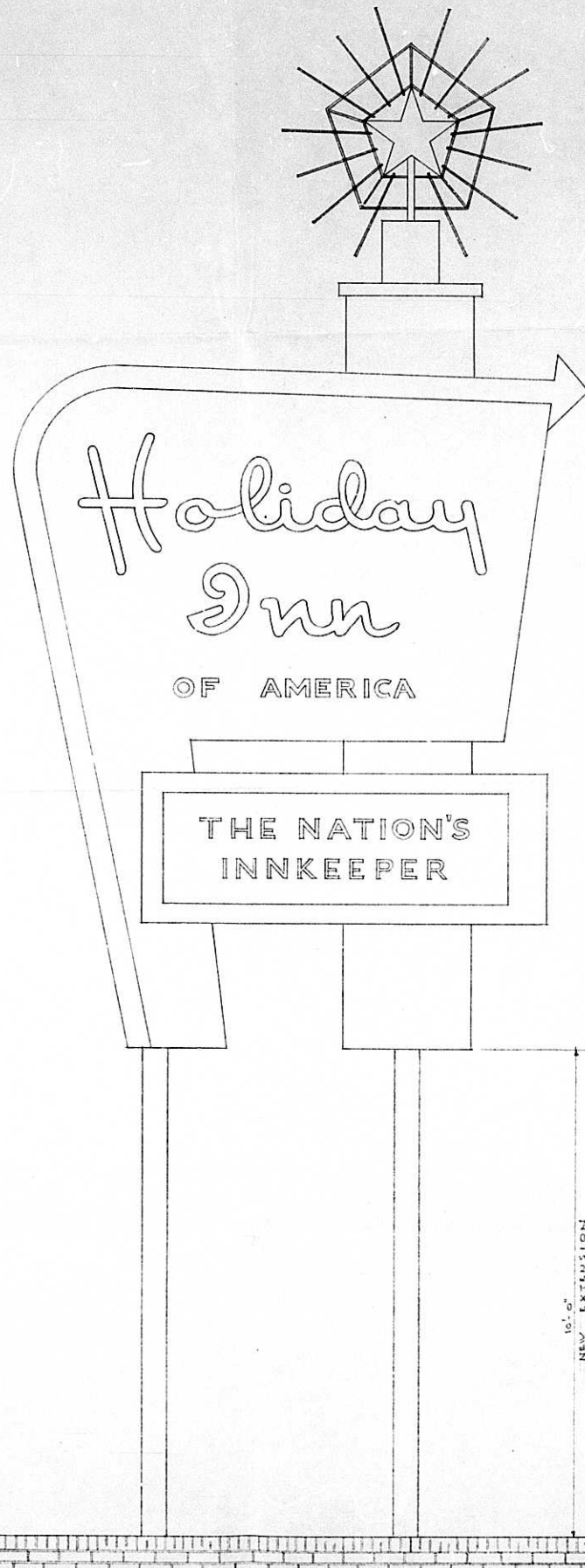
SCALE: 1"=50'

OCT 11, 1962



MATZ, CHILDS & ASSOCIATES  
2123 N. CHARL. ST.  
BALTIMORE 15, MD.

C1059



SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"