87–448–XA #342	W/S Harford Rd., approx. 411' N of the c/1 of Joppa Rd. (9618 Harford Rd.) 9th E.D.
3/24/87	Special Exception (for a Class B Office building) and Variance - filing fee \$200.00 - Josef L. Gehring
3/24/87	Hearing set for 5/12/87, at 10:45 a.m. (Mrs. Jung)
5/12/87	Advertising and Posting - \$195.55
5/28/87	Ordered by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner that a Class B Office Building in an R.O. Zone and a 69.25 sq. ft., illuminated, free-standing sign, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibits 1 and 3, be approved, and further that parking in an R.O. Zone for an office building located in a B.L. Zone be approved and as such, the Petitions for Special Exception and Variance are GRANTED with restrictions.

IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION *
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Harford Road, approx. 411' *
N of the c/l of Joppa Road
(9618 Harford Road); and *
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(2912 Joppa Road)
9th Election District
6th Councilmanic District *

BEFORE THE

DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 87-448-XA and Case No. 87-449-X

Josef L. Gehring, Petitioner

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The Petitioner herein requests a special exception to permit a Class "B" office building in an R.O. zone and a variance to permit an 83.32 sq.ft. illuminated, freestanding sign in lieu of the permitted 8 sq.ft., non-illuminated, building sign. The Petitioner further requests a special exception to permit parking in an R.O. zone for an office building located in a BL zone.

At the onset of the hearing, Counsel for the Petitioner moved to amend the variance petition to request a 69.25 sq.ft. sign as indicated on the drawing identified as Petitioner's Exhibit 3. The motion was granted.

Testimony by and on behalf of the Petitioner indicated that the subject property consists of two contiguous lots, as more particularly described on the plan submitted, prepared by Development Engineering Consultants, Inc., revised 2/20/87 and identified herein as Petitioner's Exhibit 1. Lot 1 is zoned BL and RO and has access to Joppa Road. A two-story office building is proposed on the BL portion with its required parking on the RO portion. A three-story office building and its required parking is proposed for Lot 2, which is at a lower elevation than Lot 1 and for which access has been provided to Harford Road. The latter building will have a lobby, internal directory and elevator. None of the offices will be utilized as medical offices. The architect is designing a building for Lot 2 with no more than 7200 sq.ft. per floor but requests that some portions of the exterior walls be 2 feet inside the footprint and other

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Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property and public hearing held in this case, and after due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented herein, in the opinion of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner, strict compliance with the <u>Baltimore County Zoning Regulations</u> (BCZR) would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship upon the petitioner. The entire site will be consistent with R.O. zoning requirements and both buildings will be used exclusively for office space. The requirements of Sections 307 and 502.1 of the BCZR have been met, and the health, safety and general welfare of the community will not be adversely affected. Therefore, the Special Exceptions and Variances should be granted.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this 28 day of May, 1987, that a Class "B" office building in an RO zone and a 69.25 sq.ft., illuminated, freestanding sign, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibits 1 and 3, be approved, and further that parking in an RO zone for an office building located in a BL zone be approved, and as such, the

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Deputy Zoning Commissioner
// of Baltimore County

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Towson, Maryland 21204
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Arnold Jablon Zoning Commission

May 28, 1987

Douglas L. Burgess, Esquire 204 W. Pennsylvania Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204



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Dear Mr. Burgess:

Pursuant to the hearing recently hal. on the above-referenced case, enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered. Your Petitions for Special Exceptions and Zoning Variance have been Granted, subject to the restrictions noted in the attached Order.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

JEAN M. H. JUNG

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

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Enclosures

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