Richard A. Baker, et al

13th Election District

1st Councilmanic District

* Case No. 93-99-A Petitioners

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Zoning Variance filed by the legal owners of the subject property, Richard A. Baker, Robert T. Baker, and Emily C. Baker. The Petitioners request relief from Section 1B02.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a lot width of 50 feet in lieu of the required 55 feet, and from Section 304.4 of the B.C.Z.R. to determine design compatibility for a proposed dwelling in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing on behalf of the Petition were Matt Necker, President, The Decker Group, Contract Purchaser of the subject property, and Bob Liggett. There were no Protestants.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 1715 and 1717 Park Avenue, consists of two lots, identified as Lots 25-A and 25-B on Petitioner's Exhibit 1, containing 13,000 sq.ft. total. Lot 25-B is improved with a dwelling and Lot 25-A is unimproved. The Petitioners are desirous of developing Lot 25-A with a single-family dwelling in accordance with that depicted on Petitioner's Exhibit 2, an elevation drawing of the proposed dwelling. Testimony indicated that the proposed dwelling will meet all setback requirements; however, since the lot in question is only 50-feet wide, the requested variance is necessary. The Petitioners testi-

fied that the design of the proposed dwelling will be compatible with other dwellings in the neighborhood and meets the requirements of Section 304.4 of the B.C.Z.R. Further, the granting of the relief requested will not result in any detriment to the health, safety or general welfare of the surrounding community.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome:

> 2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

> 3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted. such use, as proposed, will not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and will not result in any injury to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variance is not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of this variance request and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use

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of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the variance requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety or general welfare. Further, the granting of the Petitioner's request is in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the variance requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this _28 that the Petition for Zoning Variance requesting relief from Section 1B02.3.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a lot width of 50 feet in lieu of the required 55 feet, and from Section 304.4 of the B.C.Z.R. to determine design compatibility for a proposed dwelling in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restriction:

> 1) The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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93-99-A Petition for Variance to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 1715 + 1717 PARK AVENUE

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which is presently zoned D.R. 5.5 This Patition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.
The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 1B02_3.C.1 . to permit a minimum lot width of 50' in

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or Applicant unable to secure a reasonable return or make a reasonable use of his property as allowed by zoning density in complying with referenced zoning standards.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the RICHARD A. BAKER Type of Pringing of C. Barrer Richard C. Barrer + Point T. Baker Signature 1321 Dillon Heights Ave. EMILY C BAKER Catonsville, Maryland 21228 1 2752 No RFEW NO. 410-784-1948 BANTIMENE MA. 7/227
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THE DECKER GROUP

September 17, 1992

Zoning Description for Lots No. 25-A and 25-B, # 1715 and #1717, Respectively, Park Avenue.

Beginning at a point on the northeast side of Park Avenue, which is 50 feet wide, at the distance of 125 feet northwest of the centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street, Prospect Avenue, which is also 50 feet wide. Being Lot No. 25 A & in the resubdivision of "Halethrope - Lots No. 364 through 374 and a Part of Lot No. 363" as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book containing 0.2870 Acres total. Also known as Lot No. or # 1715 and 1717, respectively, Park Avenue in the 13th Blection District.

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

November 28, 1992

Suite 113 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

Mr. Richard A. Baker Mr. Robert T. Baker Ms. Emily C. Baker

2752 Norfen Road Baltimore, Maryland 21227

RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE N/S Park Avenue, 125' W of the c/l of Prospect Avenue (1715 and 1717 Park Avenue) 13th Election District - 1st Councilmanic District Richard A. Baker, et al - Petitioners Case No. 93-99-A

Dear Messrs. Baker & Ms. Baker:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Zoning Variance has been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 887-3351.

> lucky Kolroca TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

Very truly yours,

cc: Mr. Matt Decker, President The Decker Group 1321 Dillon Heights Avenue, Catonsville, Md. 21228

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The Decker Group 1321 Dillon Heights Avenue

Catonsville, Haryland 21228

Dear Petitioner(s):

M/S Park Avenue, 125' W of c/l Prospect Avenue 1715 and 1717 Park Avenue 13th Election District - 1st Councilmanic Legal Owner(s): Richard A. Baker and Robert T. Baker and Emily C. Baker HEARTHG: MONDAY, MOVEMBER 2, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. in Rm. 118, Old Courthouse.

Please be advised that \$ 64.33 is due for advertising and posting of the above captioned

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN & POST SET(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY OF THE HEARING.

Please forward your check via return mail to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake avenue, Room 109, Towson, Maryland 21204. Place the case number on the check and make same payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. In order to avoid delay of the immunos of proper credit and/or your Order, immediate attention to this matter is suggested.

Waiver Number Zoning Issue

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Stonegate at Patapsco (Azreal Property)

Austin F. and Estelle R. Weber

Franklin Ray and Ann Mae Sumpter

Michael J. and Lori Greco

Philip M. and Sandra L. Cowett

Kurt D. and Denise E. Zumwalt

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Bultimore County, by sethority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Bultimore County will hold a public bearing on the property identified herein in Boom 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesupeshe Evenue in Tousen, Maryland 21204

Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Hashington hvenne, Touson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Mr. Richard A. Baker

Mr. Robert T. Baker

Ms. Emily C. Baker

Dear Legal Owners:

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2752 Norfen Road Baltimore, MD 21227

Towson, MD 21204

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

O. James Lighthizer Secretary Hal Kassoff

Ms. Julie Winiarski

Item No.: \$ 104 (LJG)

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111 W. Chesapeake Avenue

Dear Ms. Winiarski:

This affice has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration

Please contact David Ramsey at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration

úctober 20, 1992

RE: Item No. 104, Case No. 93-99-A

Petition for Variance

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans

submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments

from each reviewing agency are not intended to indicate the

appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all

parties, i.e. Zoning Commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC

that offer or request information on your petition. If additional

comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them

to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed

in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing

1) The Director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions

filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by Zoning personnel.

improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Petitioner: Richard A. Baker, et al

(410) 887-3353

and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: September 30, 1992 Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM: Ervin Mc Daniel, Chief Office of Planning and Zoning Development Review Section

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning and Zoning has no comments on the following petition(s): Kurt and Denise Zumwalt, Item No. 92 Austin and Estelle Weber, Item No. 102 Franklin and Ann Mae Sumpter, Item No. 103 The Decker Group, Item No. 104 Michael and Lori Greco, Item No. 105

September 28, 1992

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Francis Morsey in the Office of Planning at 887-3211.

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ZONING OFFICE

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-3353

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this

17th day of September, 1992.

Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Petitioner: Richard A. Baker, et al Petitioner's Attorney:

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Development Review Committee Resource Form

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Baltimore County Government 700 East Joppa Road Suite 901 Towson, MD 21204-5500 (410) 887-4500 OCTOBER 19, 1992 Arnold Jablon Director Zoning Administration and Development Management Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 RE: Property Owner: RICHARD A. BAKER AND ROBERT T. BAKER AND EMILY C. BAKER THE DECKER GROUP Location: #1715-1717 PARK AVENUE Zoning Agenda: SEPTEMBER 28, 1992 Gentlemen: Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property. 5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code", 1988 edition prior to occupancy. Special Inspection Division JP/KEK

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