IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE

(12852 Stone Eagle Road)
10<sup>th</sup> Election District

3<sup>rd</sup> Council District

Scott and Michelle Krosnowski

Petitioners

BEFORE THE

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

**HEARINGS FOR** 

**BALTIMORE COUNTY** 

CASE NO. 2013-0234-A

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for Baltimore County for consideration of a Petition for Administrative Variance filed by the legal owners of the property, Scott and Michelle Krosnowski. The Petitioners are requesting Variance relief pursuant to Section 1A01.3.B.2 (1972 RSC) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z:R), to permit an addition (In-Law Apartment) with a side setback of 17 in lieu of the required 50 to any lot line. The subject property and requested relief is more fully depicted on the site plan that was marked and accepted into evidence as Petitioners' Exhibit 1.

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) comments were received and are made part of the record of this case. There were no adverse ZAC comments received from any of the County reviewing agencies.

The Petitioners having filed a Petition for Administrative Variance and the subject property having been posted on April 21, 2013, and there being no request for a public hearing, a decision shall be rendered based upon the documentation presented.

The Petitioners have filed the supporting affidavits as required by Section 32-3-303 of the Baltimore County Code (B.C.C.). Based upon the information available, there is no evidence in the file to indicate that the requested variance would adversely affect the health, safety or general

welfare of the public and should therefore be granted. In the opinion of the Administrative Law Judge, the information, photographs, and affidavits submitted provide sufficient facts that comply with the requirements of Section 307.1 of the B.C.Z.R. Furthermore, strict compliance with the B.C.Z.R. would result in practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioners.

Pursuant to the posting of the property and the provisions of both the Baltimore County Code and the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, and for the reasons given above, the requested variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this <u>15<sup>th</sup></u> day of May, 2013 by the Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 1A01.3.B.2 (1972 RSC) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R), to permit an addition (In-Law Apartment) with a side setback of 17' in lieu of the required 50' to any lot line, be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Petitioners may apply for any appropriate permits 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, Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.
- 2. The relief granted herein pertains only to the side yard setback requirements of the RC 6 zone. The administrative special hearing procedure can only be utilized for variances of height and area regulations. As such, approval for an in-law apartment will require a use permit and/or special hearing in the OAH, as set forth in Baltimore County Council Bill No. 49-11.

Any appeal of this decision must be made within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

Administrative Law Judge for Baltimore County

JEB:dlw

## Declaration of Understanding

This declaration of understanding (hereinafter referred to as "Declaration") is made on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013 by and between Michelle and Scott Krosnowski and the Department of Permits (hereinafter referred to as "PIA")

### Recitals

- A- We would like to add an addition to our current home to include an in law apartment as well as a garage for our use. The property is located at 12852 Stone Eagle Road Phoenix MD 21131 and is more particularly described by metes and bounds in Exhibit A (the property) and Exhibit B (the use permit or hearing plans) attached hereto and made a part hereof. The property is zoned RC-6 which is the particular zone in which the property is located.
- B- The Administrative Law Judge has approved the Declaration request to create an Accessory Apartment complete with dedicated bathing and cooking facilities, located on this owner occupied property. The accessory apartment will be the housing for Carol J. Carty who is Michelle Carty Krosnowski's Mother. The other occupants of the property are Michelle Carty Krosnowski (wife), Scott Carroll Krosnowski (husband), Kendall Michelle Clark (daughter of Michelle Krosnowski) and Grayson Scott Krosnowski (son of Scott and Michelle Krosnowski). All but Carol Carty live in upstairs bedrooms in the current structure. The use permit must be renewed with PAI every two years by filing a renewal on a PAI approved form, to be dated from the month of the initial approval.
- C- As a condition of approval of the Declarant(s) request, Bill No. 49-11 requires filing of this Declaration among the Land Records of Baltimore County, to provide notice to any future owners, subsequent bona fide purchasers or users of the Property that no part of any improvements or addition on the Property may be used for separate living quarters and that all such improvements shall only be used as a single-family residence, unless otherwise approved by and at the discretion of the PIA

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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledge, the Declarants and PIA hereby declare as follows:

1-Any and all improvements now existing or to be constructed on the Property shall be used only as a single family residence. No such improvements or additions shall ever be used as a separate living quarter or second residential unit. The kitchen for the Accessory Apartment will be constructed as part of the Property and shall be accessory to the principal use of the Property as a single family residence. The Accessory Apartment shall house only the immediate family member(s) listed in this Declaration and it is not to be used as an independent residential unti, nor is it to be used for compensation, and it shall not be used by any other person or for any reason. The use permit and this Declaration are subject to the order, conditions or restrictions of any required zoning hearing. The hearing order is to be made part of this Declaration when it is recorded in Land Records. 2-Once the Accessory Apartment is no longer occupied by the persons named in this Declaration or if the property is sold, or the use permit has not been renewed within the 2 year temporary use permit time limit, the use permit shall terminate, and any proposed changes in occupancy to the Accessory Apartment by the property owner or subsequent purchaser shall require a new request for a use permit.

3-Upon use permit termination in the Accessory Apartment in the principal dwelling, use permit termination requires removal of the second kitchen and the former Accessory Apartment space to be occupied by the Declarant(s) or subsequent purchaser. The Declarant(s) upon termination of the use permit will provide written notification to PAI for the closing of the Department file.

4-There is no four...

5-The covenants, conditions, and restrictions stated above shall run with and bind the Property and shall be enforceable by Baltimore County, MD and by the owners of all or any portion of the Property.

6-Enforcement of the Covenants shall be by proceedings at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any of the covenants, either to restrain the violation or to recover damages.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Declaration under seal on the date first above written.

WITNESS

State of Maryland, County of Baltimore to wit:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2013, before the Subscriber, a Notary Public of State of Maryland, personally appeared.

The declarant(s) herein, who are the owners of this property, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and who acknowledged that they executed for the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal.

My commission expires: \\

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Notary Public



The Declaration of Understanding for the Accessory Apartment at:

Address of property

is approved:

Aprold Jablon, Director-PAI

Date

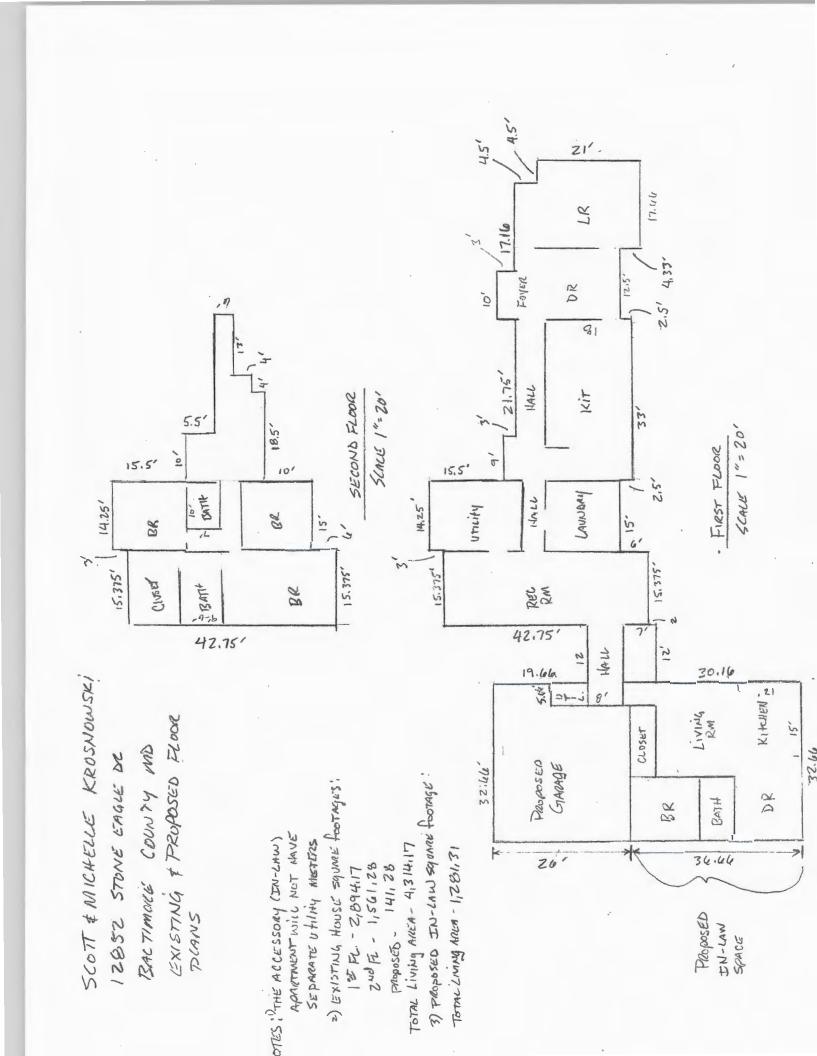
### **DECLARATION**

"EXHIBIT A"

BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED as Part Sin block B as shown on the Plat of Section 2-B Eagles
Nest, which Plat is recorded among the Plat Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book 0000035, folio 82

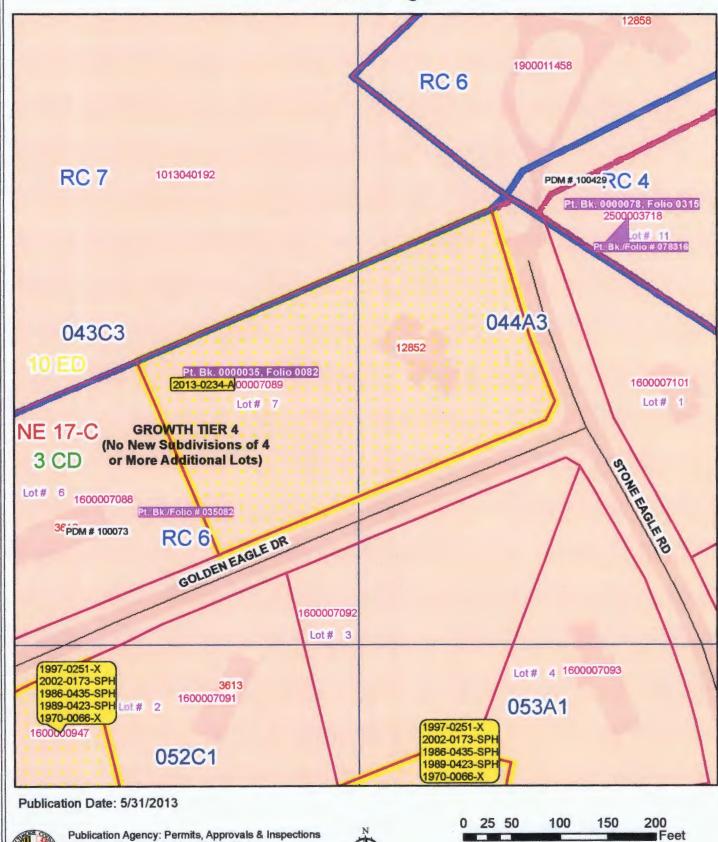
The improvements thereon being known as No. 12852 Stone Eagle Road.

BEING THE SAME lot of ground which by Deed dated Frigury 8, 2011 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 3048 2 , folio 177 , was granted and conveyed by Fotis Zografos unto Scott and Michelle Krosnowski, the Grantors herein.



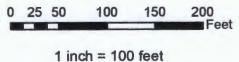


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