IN RE: PETITION FOR ADMIN. VARIANCE * BEFORE THE

(900 Weatherbee Road)

9th Election District * OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

5th Council District

Jeffrey M. Gredlein & Elizabeth L. Jones * HEARINGS FOR

Petitioners

* BALTIMORE COUNTY

* CASE NO. 2014-0260-A

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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, Jeffrey M. Gredlein and Elizabeth L. Jones. The Petitioners are requesting Variance relief pursuant to Section 1B02.3.B of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R") to permit a proposed addition with a rear yard setback of 12 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. 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 June 15, 2014, 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 B.C.C. and the

B.C.Z.R., and for the reasons given above, the requested variance should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, this 8th day of July, 2014 by the Administrative Law

Judge for Baltimore County, that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 1B02.3.B

of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations ("B.C.Z.R") to permit a proposed addition with a

rear yard setback of 12 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED.

The relief granted herein shall be subject to the following:

• 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.

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

Order.

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JOHN E. BEVERUNGEN Administrative Law Judge for

Baltimore County

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