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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Mr. Jeff Shrum, AICP
Community Development Director
City of Venice
401 West Venice Ave
Venice, Florida 34285

Re: Donald and Irene O'Connell - Hauser Lane Property Rezoning

Dear Mr. Shrum:

As you are aware, we represent Donald and Irene O'Connell, owners of property located at 500 Hauser Lane, in the City of Venice. The O'Connell's property was involuntary annexed into the City in 2002, but the Sarasota County zoning designation for the property has never been converted (via a rezoning process) to a City of Venice zoning district. The O'Connells now desire to have their property rezoned to a City zoning district.

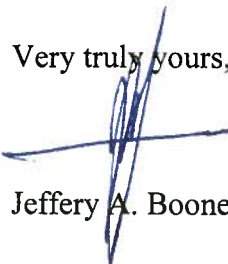
Please accept this letter as a formal request for the City of Venice to waive the application fee for the rezoning of the above-referenced property. Our clients make this request based upon the fact that their property was involuntarily annexed into the City – by interlocal agreement with Sarasota County – and the O'Connells believe the City should have at some point over the ensuing 14 years taken action to rezone their property. However, at this point our clients are willing to prepare and file an application with the City to rezone their property, but believe it is fair and appropriate under the circumstances that the rezoning application filing fee be waived.

We have also submitted under separate cover an application for the neighborhood meeting requirement to be waived, and also that the application fee be waived for the application for the waiver of the neighborhood meeting.

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If you require additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Don and Irene O'Connell

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