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RE: Zoning Board of Appeals - 1185 West Lake Drive, Novi, MI 48377 (5022-03-204-028)

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The purpose of this letter is to explain the nature of the project that we ask you to review and approve. Our family owns two adjacent properties located on a peninsula on the west shoreline of Walled Lake. I have been in front of the Zoning Board a couple of times in the past as we have worked hard to improve the property. As you may recall, the properties are cut nearly in half by an easement, which is used 1) as a driveway to service the neighbor to the north, and 2) as an underground and overhead utility easement. This easement is truly a unique circumstance and has created the many practical difficulties that I have presented you in the past, present to you today, and likely will present to you in the future as we continue to improve the property. Today's request is to approve three setback variances that will allow for a covered entryway over the existing main entrance and a 3-season porch. Both improvements to the home will add value to the overall neighborhood and will not impair any supply of sunlight, air, or view to adjacent properties. The overall goal is to spruce up the cottage at 1185 to bring it up to the new standard since 1191, 1181, and 1175 all have been newly built and/or renovated in the past 10 years. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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