Hanover

Engineering Associates Inc



May 7, 2013

City Council 10 East Church Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 RE: Re-Zoning Request of Lands of 1st Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem 14 Ward (2344 Center Street) City of Bethlehem, Northampton County Hanover Project E-2315(2010)

Dear Members of Council:

This letter serves as the petition for the rezoning of lands located in the vicinity of Center Street and the unopened portion of Langhorne Avenue, from Institutional (I) District to Residential Retirement Complex (RCC) Zoning District. Please find enclosed the following:

- 1. One (1) copy of the Land Transfer Plan, dated December 13, 2012 with the land to be re-zoned delineated.
- 2. One (1) check in the sum of \$200.00 made payable to the City of Bethlehem for the re-zoning request fee.
- One (1) copy of the affidavit signed by First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, dated May 7, 2013.

The owner of the land proposed to be rezoned is currently First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem. However Presbyterian Homes, Inc. has an agreement to purchase the lands proposed to be rezoned to RRC. Presbyterian Homes, Inc., the owners of Kirkland Village is acquiring the lands to expand their current facilities adjacent to the land. Presbyterian Homes, Inc. has submitted a resubdivision application to the City to consolidate the lands to acquire and create one lot for the Kirkland Village Retirement Community. The rezoning of the lands to be acquired would eliminate a parcel with multiple Zoning Districts. Thus, we feel the rezoning of the land would be beneficial to all parties concerned.

Upon receipt and review, should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

HANOVER ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.

Andrew Bohl, PE

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Enclosure(s)

Cc: Mr. Rodney Fenstermacher, Presbyterian Homes, Inc. (with enclosures)

Mr. Jeff Davis, Presbyterian Homes, Inc. (with enclosures)

James C. Omdahl, Esquire (with enclosures)

Ms. Tracy Samuelson, Assistant Planning Director (with enclosures)

AFFIDAVIT

I, James A. Largay III, Ph.D., the undersigned adult individual, having been duly sworn, do hereby aver that I am the President of the Board of Trustees of First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem ("FPCB"), 2344 Center Street, Bethlehem, PA 18017, and that I am authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of FPCB, on which basis I make the following averments:

That FPCB is the owner of the property known as 2234 Center Street, City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, also known as Northampton County Tax Parcel Identifier No. N6-9-3-0204; and

That FPCB has an agreement to sell 4.7781 acres of its land to Presbyterian Homes, Inc. ("PSI"), owner of Kirkland Village Retirement Community; and

That FPCB supports the application of PSI to rezone the land that is the subject of the proposed sale of 4.7781 acres from Institutional (I) District to Residential Retirement Complex (RCC) District as more fully described in that certain letter dated May 7, 2013, addressed by Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. to Bethlehem City Council, and on the plan dated 12/12/12 entitled, "Presbyterian Housing and Services Corporation Land Transfer Plan," Project No. E-2315(2010), prepared by Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 746 day of May, 2013.

James A. Gargay III Ph.D., President

Board of Trustees

First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned Notary Public on the 7th day of May, 2013.

Notary Public

My commission expires:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Notarial Seal James C. Omdahl, Notary Public Hanover Twp., Northampton County My Commission Expires May 12, 2013

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