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City Clerk
City of Bethlehem
10 East Church Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

RE: Petition to Vacate Street Our File No. 33,202

Dear Madam:

Enclosed, please find a Petition to the City Council for the City of Bethlehem for Street Vacation, as well as Check 5903 in the amount of \$500.00 for the costs of required legal advertisements and reviews.

Please list the enclosed Petition on the Council Agenda for the upcoming meeting. Should you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

Derek P. Richmond

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cc: Riyaz and Nubina Gangji

## PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM FOR STREET VACATION

AND NOW, come Riyaz and Mubina Gangji (the "R & M Gangji"), by and through their attorneys, Holzinger, Harak & Scomillio; and Mubina and Khairunisa Gangji ("M & K Gangji") by and through their attorneys, Holzinger, Harak & Scomillio; who jointly Petition City Council for vacation of a portion of Pyatt Street shown on the attached Map, for the reasons more particularly set forth herein:

- 1. R & M Gangji are husband and wife, owners of certain real property known as 2116 Covington Avenue, Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, bearing Parcel ID No. N7NW4B-10-4 0204 (the "Covington Property").
- 2. Mubina and Khairunisa Gangji are the owners of certain real property known as 2431 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, bearing Parcel ID No. N7NW4C-1-1 0204, on which is the dental practice known as "Gentle Family Dentistry" (the "Easton Avenue Property").
- 3. The Covington Property is located on the east side of Covington Avenue and abuts the north side of a certain stretch of Pyatt Street (see attached plan).
- 4. The Easton Avenue Property is located on the northeast corner of Easton Avenue and Covington Avenue, and abuts the south side of the same stretch of Pyatt Street (see attached Map).

- 5. Both the Covington and Easton Avenue properties are abutted on their eastern side by property owned by Keystone Savings Association, in such a way that Pyatt Street terminates at a tree line at or near the western border of the Keystone Savings property, and does not provide access to the Keystone Savings property (see attached Map).
- 6. The vacation of the above-described stretch of Pyatt Street will not impact access to any adjoining properties since it has only been used for access to the rear of both the Covington and Easton Avenue Properties, and the Petitioners have agreed to allow a private access to continue their access to their respective properties, to be memorialized in a written and recorded easement agreement.
- 7. The vacation of the above-described stretch of Pyatt Street will not impact access to the Keystone Savings Property, access via Pyatt Street having been blocked by a mature tree line along the west side of the Keystone Savings Property.
- 8. The vacation of the above-described stretch of Pyatt Street shall eliminate the need for the City to provide maintenance of the paved area, such as snow removal and blacktop repair, which the Petitioners have been providing.
- 9. There is no need to use the above-described stretch of Pyatt Street for public access purposes.

10. For the foregoing reasons, the Petitioners hereby petition for the vacation of that section of Pyatt Street extending from Covington Avenue east to the western property line of Keystone Savings. The Petitioners and Keystone Savings are the only parties with real property interests immediately adjacent to the proposed vacated area.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners pray City Council vacate that section of Pyatt Street extending from the eastern side of Covington Avenue to the western property line of Keystone Saving.

Respectfully submitted, HOLZINGER, HARAK & SCOMILLIO

Derek P. Richmond, Esquire

I.D. No. 321611

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The facts set forth in the foregoing Petition are true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.

Date: 1/-8-17

Date: 11/8/17

Date: 12/19/17

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## Surveyor's Description To Vacate a Portion of Pyatt Street

All THAT CERTAIN messuage, tenement or tract of land situate in the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as Pyatt Street bounded on the North by lot number 945 and South by lots 767 through lot 763 West by Covington Ave, and property of now or late of Robert P Brown upon Plan of lots known as Penn Summit, laid out by A.D. Chidsey, Jr. Civil Engineer, and recorded in the Office for the Recording of Deeds, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, in Book of Maps No.7, Page 18 bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING; at set iron pin on the North side of said Pyatt Street, being the Southwest corner of lot 945 thence along said lot 945 N 79°17'27" E, a distance of 102.88'to a set iron pin and lands Late of Robert P Brown (now Keystone Savings Association); thence along said Keystone Saving Association S 3°20'30" E, a distance of 15.12' to a set iron pin; thence along lots 763 through 767 S 79°17'27" W, a distance of 103.63';to a punch hole thence along the East side of Covington Ave N 0°33'44" W, a distance of 15.24'a set iron pin the place of BEGINNING; said described tract containing 0.035 Acres, more or less.

