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Naperville City Council 400 S. Eagle St Naperville, IL 60540

Re: Appeal for Reconsideration - Project at 223 Center St., Naperville

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of MKJH Remodeling LLC to appeal the recent decision of the Historic Committee regarding the project at 223 Center St., Naperville.

As a former resident who cares deeply about the well-being and preservation of the city, I find myself compelled to request a reconsideration of the denial on 01/25/2026. Having served Edward Hospital and DuPage Health and Care for over 10 plus years, my commitment to the community extends beyond professional responsibilities.

We respectfully request a reconsideration of the denial, as we had incorporated the committee's recommendations from our prior approval meeting on 10/26/2023. Specifically, we added two windows on the east side, as per your recommendations.

Additionally, we wish to bring to your attention that the Historic Committee did not provide alternative recommendations on how to proceed. This lack of guidance has left us in a challenging position, as we are committed to meeting the committee's expectations but lack clear directives.

It's also crucial to note that the Historic Committee had suggested collaborating with professionals experienced in historic areas. Our architect had received prior approval from the committee before we engaged him. Despite this, we encountered unforeseen structural issues during the project. The west wall lacked a support foundation with underpins, and the north wall, intended for new wood, faced termite damage, preventing the proposed sistering. Moreover, the east wall overhang was extensively rotted due to termite infestation over the years.

Moreover, during the review process, it became apparent that the committee was not fully informed about the city code for window height, which has contributed to the complications surrounding our project.

We believe our circumstances warrant a reconsideration, given that we presented the same home design as previously approved. Our commitment to addressing committee feedback and the unforeseen structural challenges supports our appeal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to the opportunity to further discuss and clarify any concerns.

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