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City Clerk
Room 395, City Hall
200 N. Spring Street
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Ref. Request for variance at 1100-1102 S. Stearns Ave., Los Angeles 90035

Dear Mr./Ms.:


I live within a stone's throw of 1100-1102 S. Stearns. I am writing to STRONGLY protest providing a variance to sanction illegal development at that property.

I understand that the lot is larger than many in the neighborhood. I also understand that the illegal unit has been there for a long time and that it is presently occupied. Granting such variance would send the message that if we can get away with something for a sufficient amount of time, then after a while we can get official sanction to continue that activity as legal.

Granting such variance would set a dangerous precedence for this and other neighborhoods. Denying similar applications elsewhere would become discriminatory--why here and not elsewhere?

I want you to enforce existing zoning regulations. If Mr. Koretz and others who favor granting this variance want to change existing zoning regulations, better to do it deliberately and universally than to undermine them in this manner.

At the very least, and in the interest of humanitarian considerations, any such requested variance granted should be made temporary and conditional to specific considerations, such as the continued occupancy by the present tenant.


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