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County of Albemarle
Community Development
c/o Rebecca Ragsdale
401 McIntire Rd.
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Re: Special Exception for Homestay

Dear Respective Board Members:

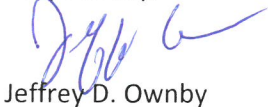
Please accept this request for setback reduction for above mentioned property. As a lifelong resident of Scottsville I have a love of the area and the many attributes we have to offer visitors and guest such as the various wineries within just miles of my homestay. The beauty and history of the town of Scottsville, Downtown Charlottesville, Monticello as well as UVA. Unfortunately, with the limited resources for lodging in the southern part of the area many people don't get to take full advantage of all amenities there are to offer here.

While the initial thought came to mind of being able to offer lodging in the beautiful rolling hills that offer a plethora of adventures and sights; COVID presented a more pressing dilemma. As a small business owner I've seen a significant drop in work availability at this time. Being able to offer my home as a Homestay offers a resource as supplemental income for loss of finances due to slow economy at this time. It is my hope that I may continue to utilize it as such.

As noted there needs to be a clearance of 125 feet on either side, which I fall just shy of. However, there is fencing as well as tree lines and a gravel road offering a buffer between myself and the neighbors. Additionally, I've talked with my neighbors and they have no objection to the property being utilized as a Homestay.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Respectfully,



Jeffrey D. Ownby