

ZBA 18-026; 11 Ridgeway Street

December 3, 2018

Dear members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

I'm writing on behalf of Paul and Susan Bass and their request for a variance to construct an eight foot tall privacy fence in the side yard of their property. I am the Bass' Realtor who helped them find and purchased this home.

They purchased their "new" home in July of 2015. They as well as I were so excited about the home they had found. I remember the conversation from our closing – the previous owners, Elaine and Cynthia stated that the owners of the newly purchased adjoining lot promised to build a "small cottage" on that lot. Our understanding of what was to be built was not going to be the large, towering house that would overlook the Bass's home.

Unfortunately that "small cottage" turned into a house that was large and looming over their property! If permitted to construct the fence it will provide a private, small bit of side yard where the patio exists in their yard. The house at 11 Ridgeway is down the hill from the new house which takes away any privacy that the Bass' might have to enjoy time on their patio *without feeling they're having a drink with their neighbors!*

From a resale point of view (if ever they should decide to sell) privacy in the yard will enhance the house's value. I would hate to have potential buyers shy away from this beautiful home due to lack of privacy in the yard.

Sincerely,

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