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Jamie Shoemaker Flamingo Real Estate & Management 900 Cleveland Avenue Wildwood, Florida 34785

RE:

Flamingo Realty Office Handicapped Accessible Ramp 900 Cleveland Avenue Wildwood. Florida

Dear Mrs. Shoemaker:

As you are aware, we have designed an A.D.A. accessible ramp at your business office located at the above referenced address. The ramp was designed to facilitate access to the second floor of the existing building. The site was designed and permitted through the City of Wildwood, Florida, Development Services Department and included an accessible route to the first floor building entrance. It is our understanding that the first floor includes an accessible restroom and serves as a main business area of the office building. In response to the Building Official's requirements, we have designed an accessible ramp to the second floor. Since completing the A.D.A. accessible ramp designed for the second floor, we have been made aware of the excessive cost associated with the potential construction of said ramp. The cost estimated by your contractor exceeds your budgeted improvements, thereby, creating a financial hardship. We recommend that you request a hardship waiver from the Florida Building Commission on the basis of the existence of adequate building accessibility to the first floor as constructed. The requirement of adding the second floor ramp to an area of the building that doesn't necessarily require the public's access can be considered to create an undue financial hardship in meeting the Florida Accessibility Code requirements.

We trust this information is beneficial to your application process for the waiver request. Should you require additional data or supporting documents, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Springstead Engineering, Inc.

David W. Springstead, P.E.

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