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Joseph Fuller Jr; Krishnamurthy, Ananth

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Dear Staff and Members of the Board,

As a direct neighbor, I am submitting the attached letter of objections to the proposed variance for 238 Hillspoint Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Malcolm Appelbaum 37 Sherwood Drive, Westport, CT

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November 11, 2024

Westport Zoning Board of Appeals 110 Myrtle Avenue #109 Westport, CT 06880

Re: 238 Hillspoint, Westport CT Variance Application # ZBA – 24 – 00579 RECEIVED NOV 12 2024 ZBA

Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

I've lived at 37 Sherwood Drive for the past eight years and am a direct neighbor to the property requesting the variance. I believe that the significant development that has been occurring in my neighborhood over this time has generally been very positive. Most new construction and refurbishment projects have been done in character with neighboring houses and in a style fitting the neighborhood.

However, the plans for 238 Hillspoint are the exception as they do not match the house size (bulk, height) and character of the neighboring houses. The new house being planned would be so massive as to "stick out like a sore thumb." As a result, I object to the variance request and ask the Committee to please reject the variance application.

My understanding is that the town rules regarding bulk and height are being twisted by the applicant in order to try justifying building a house with such height and bulk that it will dwarf the other houses in my neighborhood. I respectfully ask that you not allow the applicant to get away with this.

In addition, the design of the house does not match our neighborhood. The applicants plans might fit in well in, say, Santa Monica but the style the applicant contemplates does not match Westport in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm Appelbaum 37 Sherwood Drive, Westport CT