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Zoning Board of Appeals
City of Newburyport
60 Pleasant Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

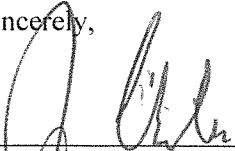
RE: 12 Horton Street

Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

I live at 14 Horton Street and am an abutter to the property noted above. I have known about the water damage to the property and am aware that Lisa Adams and David Miller hope to do some renovation to their home. They have provided me with a chance to review their plans, which show the removal and reconstruction of the existing second story bump out and the construction of a new second floor addition over the first floor bump out, both at the back of the house.

I am not opposed to the proposed renovation and reconstruction, nor do I think it will be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than what currently exists. Indeed, given the plans I have reviewed, I think the changes will be completely in keeping with the existing structure and neighborhood.

Sincerely,



James Chidiac
14 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

9/12/21

Date

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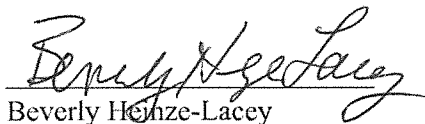
RE: 12 Horton Street

Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

We are abutters to the property noted above and are aware of the water damage event at the property listed above. Lisa Adams and David Miller have provided us with a chance to review their plans for the renovation they hope to do at the house. We understand that the plans involve the removal and reconstruction of the existing second story bump out and the construction of a new second floor addition over the first floor bump out, both at the back of the house.

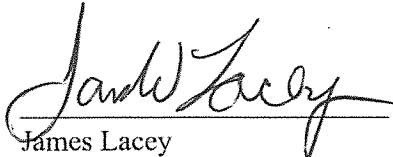
We are writing to indicate that we are not opposed to the proposed renovation and reconstruction and do not believe it will be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than what currently exists. Given the plans we have reviewed, we believe the work that is planned will be in keeping with the existing structure at 12 Horton Street, and with the other homes in our neighborhood.

Sincerely,



Beverly Henze-Lacey
10 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950
bevhlacey@gmail.com

9-8-2021
Date



James Lacey
10 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950
jwlacey@gmail.com

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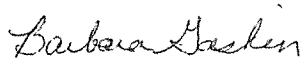
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Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

I am an abutter to the property noted above, and the owners, Lisa Adams and David Miller have informed me of their plans to make some renovations to the property after the water damage that occurred there this winter. I have been provided with plans showing the removal and reconstruction of the existing second story bump out and the construction of a new second floor addition over the first floor bump out, both at the back of the house.

I have no objections to the proposed renovation and reconstruction, which I believe will not be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than what currently exists. Based on my review, I am confident that the addition will be in keeping with the existing structure and neighborhood.

Sincerely,



Barbara Gaskin
11 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

09/11/2021

Date

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RE: 12 Horton Street

Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

We are abutters to the property at 12 Horton Street; our home is directly across the street. We have had a chance to review the plans for the renovation that Lisa Adams and David Miller hope to complete at the house and understand that they involve the removal and reconstruction of the existing second story bump out and the construction of a new second floor addition over the first floor bump out, both at the back of the house. The renovations will not change the front of the house facing Horton Street.

We are not opposed to the proposed renovation and reconstruction. We do not believe the proposed changes will be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than what currently exists. Based on the proposed plans that we have reviewed, the changes will be in keeping with the existing structure and with the rest of the Horton Street neighborhood.

Sincerely,



David Bodenrader
13 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

9-8-2021
Date



Joyce Bodenrader
13 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

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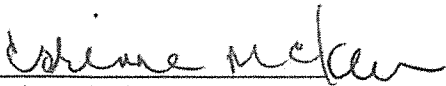
Dear Chair and Members of the Board,

I am an abutter to the property noted above. I have been made aware of the water damage incident at the property and Lisa Adams and David Miller have kept me informed of their progress on restoring their home. I have had the chance to review the plans that involve the removal and reconstruction of the existing second story bump out and the construction of a new second floor addition over the first floor bump out, both at the back of the house.

I am not opposed to the proposed renovation and reconstruction, nor do I think it will be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than what currently exists. The plans I have reviewed show that the front of the house facing Horton Street will remain unchanged, and I think the renovated home will be completely in keeping with the existing structure and neighborhood.

It's always been obvious to me that Lisa and David take pride in their house and property; they are an inspiration to all of us on Horton Street. I am confident that any enhancements to their house will be made with great care to honor both the integrity of the building and charm of the south end.

Sincerely,



Corinne McKeown
15 Horton Street
Newburyport, MA 01950

9/8/21
Date

September 11, 2021

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Dear Chair and Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

Lisa Adams and David Miller have been my neighbors since 2003, they have been an incredible addition to the neighborhood, everything I could ever want as a neighbor and member of the community. Last winter, in the middle of the pandemic, they experience one of the things New Englanders fear the most, they went away, their furnace died and their pipes burst destroying the inside of their house. We as a neighborhood were devastated for Lisa and David that they experienced this traumatic event and that they could no longer live in their home.

They are taking a heart-wrenching experience and using the opportunity to do something wonderful to both enhance their property and the neighborhood. The plans are really neat and I am so happy and relieved for them and their plans are very much in keeping with the existing architecture and feel of the neighborhood.

I have done a history of Horton Street which is on the interactive Newburyport history map, "Newburyport - Keeping the Story Alive," the link is map.marybakerart.com, the website that coordinates with it is HistoryNewburyport.com.

"The old Almshouse was built at the corner of Federal and Prospect Streets in 1794. That area was owned by the City of Newburyport and had orchards and gardens going all the way back to almost Lime Street.


In 1888 the old Almshouse was demolished and Horton Street was laid out through that land in 1889, the City of Newburyport sold house lots. The homes on the street were all built around the same time, they are all two or two and a half story houses with Queen Anne or vernacular Victorian details. The first residents of Horton Street were upper middle class Newburyport merchants and lawyers. By the 1930s (the 1930 Census) most of the families worked in the shoe or hat factories.

Reverend William Horton (the rector of St. Paul's Church between 1853-1863) left money in his will for the new Almshouse on the corner of Low and North Atkinson streets. Horton Street is named after Rev. William Horton.

There have been very little changes to the outside of the homes on Horton Street and the street looks very similar today as when the Victorian homes were built in around 1890."

What David and Lisa want to do, is not only very much in keeping with the architecture of the street but also what the City original intended for the "new" street back in 1889. I really hope that you will allow them to go ahead with their plans, and the nightmare that they have experienced will finally be over. I am very excited to see the final home, and I think that it is a great 2021 version of what was intended back in 1889.

Most Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Baker Eaton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mary Baker Eaton
3 Foster Ct
Newburyport, MA 01950