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Hello Everyone,
Please read and respond to the attached letter.
Thank you,
Melissa Rottman

3370 Holland Cliffs Rd.

February 18, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

I attended the BOA hearing February 12, 2013 for Case # 1299 Richard & Carol Turner for "Ricks Place." There were citizens who spoke as individuals and others who spoke to represent various other community organizations that Mr. Turner has supported.

Richard & Carol Turner have owned and operated their small local livestock processing facility since 2002 in a rural agricultural area in Charles County located on Petzold Drive. Why now after 11 years of spending his life savings to open and operate his small family business with the approval of county, state and USDA departments is the future of his business and livelihood in jeopardy? He and his family have endured constant scrutiny and harassment by neighbors to prove he is in compliance with

county, state and USDA compliance and regulations. It has been proven by report after report that his business is not detrimental to the use, peaceful enjoyment, economic value or development of surrounding properties.

He has provided a needed local service to the citizens of Charles County. He has participated in the Farmers and Hunters Feed the Hungry programs and countless other acts of kindness to help his community and neighbors in need.

It is truly a shame that a few small minded neighbors have made false accusations against his business, his family, and his customers. The business is located on a private road that Richard and two other citizens have maintained since Mr. Turner bought his property in 1999. The neighbors who have filed the complaints against Mr. Turner have not contributed financially to the upkeep of the road. The neighbors who have filed the said complaints live at the opposite end of the road of Mr. Turner their residences are located closest to Dr. Samuel Mudd Road.

I have traveled along Petzold Road many times since 1999 both in good weather and bad, day and night and different seasons. It is nearly impossible to gain excessive speed along this road because it is a small gravel road. I have never seen children on or near the road or pedestrians on the road when I have traveled along it. I have seldom even passed another vehicle when I have been on the road.

Why is it that Mr. Turner is being held up as a scape goat for all the issues surrounding traveling along Petzold Road? He is one of many residents and home business located along the road. In these hard economic times it would seem unfair and unconstitutional to force him to close or relocate his business after he has spent his life savings to fulfill an American Dream of owning his own small business and following the county, state and USDA regulations.

I urge you to rule in favor of Richard and Carol Turner for "Ricks Place." Your decision will greatly affect the entire Turner family because; it is after all a small family owned business and the only source of income for the family. Many Tri- County residents also depend on this facility and the service he provides as evidenced by the many speakers who spoke on behalf of "Ricks Place" at the BOA hearing on February 12, 2013.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of a positive outcome for Richard & Carol Turner.

Melissa Rottman