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To Whom it May Concern

Our variance application applies to the proposed addition of a 5' x 9'-6" (1.5M x 2.9M) area to the west side of the existing patio and a 4' walkway from that addition to the existing rear deck. We feel this deck extension and walkway are required for safety reasons. In the event of a fire, our escape route from the master bedroom to the exterior of the building takes us on to the back deck which is approximately 13.5 feet above the ground and does not currently have an exit route to ground level. We feel that at our present ages, 73 and 76, we would be certain to suffer significant injuries if we had to jump from the existing deck to ground level. As exterior stairs currently exist at the south patio, it seems to be logical to connect the upper deck at the southwest corner to these stairs to give us the vital escape route.

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