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HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt  
City Clerk  
City of Milwaukee  
200 East Wells Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

Re: Appeal of Interim Historic Designation  
for the Hide House/2625 South Greeley  
Street, Milwaukee

This firm represents Hide House 2007, LLC ("Hide House"), owner of the property known as the "Hide House" located at 2625 South Greeley Street in Milwaukee (the "Property"). On June 15, 2009, the City of Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission ("HPC") approved the interim designation of the Property as an historic building. Pursuant to Section 308-81-10.5(f) of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, Hide House hereby appeals the interim designation decision by HPC. A duly executed and acknowledged petition of appeal is enclosed with this letter.

With respect to such appeal, we note that Section 308-81-10.5(f) states that the Common Council must act as the reviewing body. Accordingly, we believe that the following procedures should be adhered to with respect to the appeal:

1. As a matter of due process, neither Alderman Zielinski nor Alderman Bauman may vote on this matter. Alderman Zielinski was the person who filed the nomination for interim historic designation and Alderman Bauman is a member of HPC and voted on the motion that is the subject of this appeal. Alderman Zielinski is an interested party in the matter being reviewed and cannot serve on the reviewing body. Similarly, Alderman Bauman cannot sit in review of his own decision.

2. The ordinance is somewhat imprecise as to the procedure to be followed for the review. However, it states that the Council is the reviewing body. We therefore believe that the entire Council should convene as a committee of the whole and the appeal should be heard by the committee of the whole, as opposed to a Council

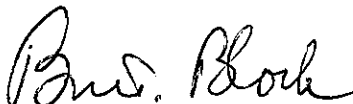
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committee, so that all members eligible to vote on the matter are privy to the arguments raised on the appeal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please direct all correspondence regarding this appeal to the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

REINHART BOERNER VAN DEUREN s.c.

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cc Mr. Michael Weiss  
Mr. Steven Schnoll  
Mr. Sig Strautmanis  
Mr. Robert Joseph

PETITION OF APPEAL

1. Petitioner, Hide House 2007, LLC, is the owner of the property located at 2625 South Greeley Street in Milwaukee (the "Property").

2. On June 15, 2009, the City of Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission ("HPC") approved the interim designation of the Property as an historic building.

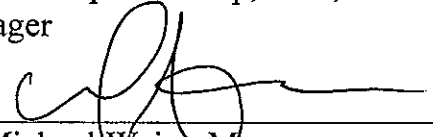
3. Pursuant to Section 308-81-10.5(f) of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, petitioner hereby appeals the interim designation decision by HPC.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2009.

HIDE HOUSE 2007, LLC

BY GCG Hide House, LLC, Manager


BY Bedrock Capital Group, LLC,  
Manager

By   
Michael Weiss, Manager

State of Wisconsin     )  
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Milwaukee County     )

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 19th day of June, 2009, by Michael Weiss as manager of Bedrock Capital Group, LLC.

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Joan E. Swanson

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin  
My commission expires on 8/23/2009