Tax Map/Block/Parcel No. 7-22-212

Building Permit/Zoning Certificate No. <u>01-1175</u>

Case 4597

OFFICIAL DECISION BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPLICANT: Betty J. Shrader

4523 Baughman Mill Road Lineboro, Maryland 21088

ATTORNEY: N/A

REQUEST: A request to expand the number of dogs permitted in a previously

conditional use case from 20 to 40.

LOCATION: The site is located at 4523 Baughman Mill Road, Lineboro, MD

21088, on property zoned "A" Agricultural District in Election

District 6.

BASIS: Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, Chapters 223-71(12)

and 223-16

HEARING HELD: June 26, 2001

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

On June 26, 2001, the Board of Zoning Appeals (the Board) convened to hear the application to expand the number of dogs permitted in a previously approved kennel from 20 to 40.

A conditional use for a kennel with a maximum of 20 dogs on this 4.591-acre property was granted on September 6, 1989, Case No. 3215. The approval was limited solely to the Applicant, and will cease upon transfer of the property. The Applicant is requesting an increase in the number of dogs permitted to a maximum of 40. The purpose of the kennel is to provide temporary shelter and placement, if possible, of homeless dogs. Veterinary care is provided as necessary. The Applicant normally keeps dogs that cannot be returned to their owners or placed. The Applicant currently has 35 dogs.

Based upon testimony and evidence presented, the Board makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

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The Applicant's activities on the property, while admirable, have resulted in significant noise (barking) in the adjoining neighborhood. In addition, the property is not in a condition to support an additional 20 animals. The harmful effects that would be generated here under these conditions would exceed those ordinarily associated with such a use.

Accordingly, the request to expand the previously approved conditional use to accommodate an additional 20 animals is denied. The Applicant is granted ninety (90) days from today's date to comply with this decision.

July 11, 2001

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