

311 26th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA
90266

September 11, 2012

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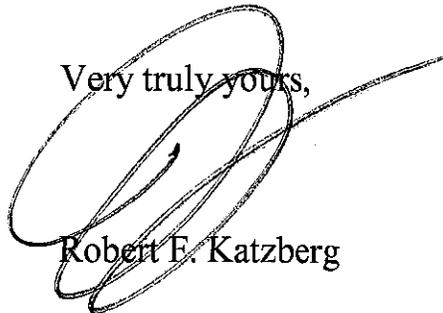
City of Manhattan Beach
1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
Att.: Eric Haaland, Associate Planner

Dear Mr. Haaland:

The undersigned are the owners of the home located at 311 26th Street, Manhattan Beach. The garage and back portion of our home is on Crest Drive and 26th Street. We just received the attached notice of public hearing concerning an appeal by Antonia Armato at 2505 Crest Drive to have the City Council reverse its denial of her request to add certain square footage to the existing triplex at that address. Unfortunately, we will be unable to attend that hearing.

In lieu of our personal appearance, please accept this letter in strong opposition to any reversal of the Planning Commission's denial of the application. As residents living one block away from the property at issue, we fully support the denial as a necessary step in preserving the "livability," character and balance of an already densely built area. Please place this letter into the record of tomorrow's hearing. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert F. Katzberg', written over the typed name.

Robert F. Katzberg

A smaller, cursive handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leslie Amster Katzberg', written over the typed name.

Leslie Amster Katzberg

September 10, 2012

Re: Variance for the property located at **2505 Crest Drive**

Dear Council Members:

We will not be able to attend the meeting of September 18, 2012, when the Council considers the Appeal to a denied variance for the above-captioned property.

My husband and I want to go on record to OPPOSE the granting of the variance for several reasons:

1. There are no undue hardship to said property - none.
2. There are no special circumstances that should permit such a variance.
3. This would grant a special privilege. Ms. Armato already enjoys an unobstructed view.

I also want to address comments made by the Planning Commission in their discussion. Of course the immediate neighbors to the south did not object to the proposal - they are her parents!

We respectfully ask that you **DENY** this Variance.

Kind Regards,

Arlette Tirman
319 25th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

cc: Mr. Eric Haaland

Eric Haaland

From: Claude Tirman <m8d3-08@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 08, 2012 11:26 AM
To: Eric Haaland
Subject: Upcoming Variance Hearing or Antonina Armato

Hello Mr. Haaland,

My name is Claude Tirman and we reside at 319 25th Street in Manhattan Beach. I wish to submit our thoughts on Ms. Armato's request for a variance.

Our house is directly east of Ms. Armato's home, perhaps 40-50 feet away. We are strongly opposed to her request as her property is already above the permitted height limit as per Municipal Code.

I believe the Planning Commission has adhered to the code and acted accordingly with a denial. They have done their job!

I respectfully request that you include our letter in the upcoming City Council meeting to be held on Sept. 18, 2012, as we will be out of the country until Oct 11, 2012.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Kind regards,

Claude Tirman
Arlette Tirman
319 25th Street
MB, CA 90266

September 10, 2012

Re: Variance for property located at 2505 Crest Drive, MB

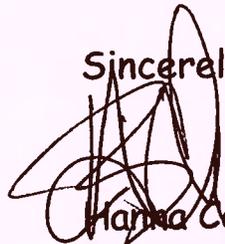
Dear Council Member:

I am sorry that I won't be able to attend the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 18, 2012, regarding the variance for the above-stated property.

I want to go on record as absolutely OPPOSED to this requested variance.

The subject property is already above the permitted height limit under the present Municipal Code.

Sincerely,



Hanna Collier
319 25th Place
Manhattan Beach

PS: For your information I was never informed that the variance was under consideration by the Planning Commission in June 2012, several of my neighbors say they were not informed either.