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Zoning Board of Appeals Acting Chairperson James Mathes New Bedford Free Public Library 613 Pleasant Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Reference: Zoning Board Meeting Agenda of December 17, 2015

ZBA Case # 4214 – North Front Street

Dear Chairperson Mathes and Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals:

We are writing in reference to the Petition of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, submitted by Reverend Conrad Salach, which is to be heard by the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, December 17, 2015.

Unfortunately, we are not able to attend the meeting due to a conflict with the City Council meeting scheduled for the same date and time. We would however like to offer our support for the Petition and the proposed garage that is planned for the property.

As you are aware in reading the application submitted, Fr. Conrad and the Church congregation have chosen to seek relief from the City Zoning Code relative to set back requirements in order to preserve the gardens and green space on the Church property. We strongly support their decision to preserve this beautiful area and to erect the garage structure that will be of much benefit to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Fr. Conrad.

Please read this letter into the record of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to make those in attendance and the general public aware of our support of Case #4214.

Thank you, in advance for your attention to our correspondence and your favorable consideration of this Zoning Board petition.

Sincerely,

Henry Bousquet Ward Three Councillor Steven Martins Ward Two Councillor

David Alves Councillor At Large

Linda Morad Councillor At Large

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