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To Town of Ridgefield Zoning Board of Appeals.

Thank you to the Board for your consideration. I would like to introduce myself, I am a third generation Ridgefield resident, retired and widowed. My father Irving Conklin Jr. and his father before him, Irving Conklin Sr., both served on the Planning and Zoning Commission for many years. I have great respect for our town's zoning rules and regulations.

I have lived at 258 North Street for 30 years and my grandparents lived here before me, for over 50 years, having had purchased the farm in 1941. I plan to live out my life at 258 North Street, as I am a life tenant.

I am acting on behalf of the owner of both of the properties involved, HMR LLC and 258 North Street LLC. Both of these properties/entities have the same owner.

We are asking for a set back variance to build a 24'x24' garage structure to be used for storage and garage space. The structure will be placed on a 26'x26' 3/4 inch stone pad. It is a tasteful, pre-fabricated, non permanent structure, in keeping with the aestethics of the farm house. It can be easily removed if need be in the future.

The choices for location of this structure are limited, as the unusual shaped lot lines for this property were drawn many years after the current house and it's driveway were built. The proposed location helps to preserve the open space of the farm's grasslands.

If approved the garage will provide screening that will benefit the equestrians riding in the bordering riding arena, as horses are easily distracted by activities in the applicant's back yard.

Sincerely,

Wendy Banks Pola