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VARIANCE APPLICATION     NOTE: This form can be downloaded to your computer and filled out utilizing Adobe Reader (or similar product). It can also be printed and filled out by hand.     Applicant(s): Richard & Maureen Turman     (Applicant must have a financial, contractual, or proprietary interest in the property     Property Address: 694 N. Riverside Dr., Crownsville, MD 21032		
Property Location: 50 feet of frontage on the (W) side of <u>N. Riverside Dr.</u> ; (Enter Street Name)		
feet ( N, S, E, W ) of (Nearest intersecting street)		
12-digit Tax Account Number 241300058710 Tax District $(2 )$ Council District $(4 )$		
Waterfront Lot: Y N Corner Lo	—	
Zoning District <u>R5</u> Lot # <u>45</u>	Tax Map Blo	ck/Grid 83/17 Parcel 391
Area 5,000 (Sq Ft. ) Subdivision Name Herald Harbor		
Description of Proposed Project and Variance Requested (Brief, detail fully in letter of explanation)		
Install pier and piles in less setbacks than required.		
The applicant hereby certifies that he or she has a financial, contractual, or proprietary interest in the property; that he or she is authorized to make this application; that the information shown on this application is correct; and that he or she will comply with all applicable regulations of Anne Arundel county Maryland. 4/2 V/2 3 Applicant's Signature $V/2 3$ Applicant's Signature $V/2 3$		
Print Name Richard Turman	Print Name Maureen Turman	
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Application accepted by Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning:		
Variance to		
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Date: August 8, 2023

Zoning Division of the Office of Planning & Zoning Anne Arundel County Heritage Office Complex 2664 Riva Road Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Zoning Division - (410) 222-7437

## **RE: VARIANCE REQUEST**

APPLICANT: RICHARD & MAUREEN TURMAN MAILING ADDRESS: 694 N. RIVERSIDE DR., CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032 SITE ADDRESS (FOR VARIANCE): 694 N. RIVERSIDE DR., CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032 TAX ID: 241300058710

## Dear Zoning Office:

This letter explains the request by Richard & Maureen Turman for a variance for the installation of a pier replacement in the 15 ft. setback area at 694 N. Riverside Dr., Crownsville, MD 21032. This property contains 5,000 SF of area and is located on Valentine Creek. The lot is approximately 50 ft. wide at the street and approx. 44 ft. wide at the shoreline per AA CO. Center of Cove Map (herein after called Cove Map). The property contains an existing pier, platform, finger pier and associated lift piles & boat lift and is situated on a designated cove. The cove center has been established by the Office of Planning & Zoning for this part of the creek and the site plan depicts the property area and associated 15 ft. setbacks as defined by the Zoning Office.

Based on the provisions of the Code relating to setbacks, the applicants must maintain 15 ft. on either side of the property line extensions into water. Upon complete depiction of this for the applicant's lot based on the Cove Map, this leaves around 44 ft. of shoreline which narrows quickly as you encroach channelward because of its location on a cove. This uniqueness of the applicant's lot creates a hardship for which relief from the Code is warranted. Variance requests are for 9 and 8.5 ft. for lift piles in the SW setback area, 12 and 11.5 ft. for lift piles in the NE setback area and 6.5 ft for a finger pier in the NE setback area.

Variances have been granted to neighboring property owners for pier replacements over the years in Herald Harbor. The lots are narrow and the neighborhood contains many cove areas bringing hardship to many residents. An approval was granted by the County Board of Appeals of Anne Arundel County in August of 2000 for a pier replacement at 692 Riverside Dr., Crownsville, MD 21032. The Board specified that the pier should "extend no further towards the boating channel of the water than the piling that is the furthest from the shoreline on either of the two adjoining properties." This proposal seeks the same relief. The current main pier stem and platform is angled northeasterly – facing the pier at 692 Riverside Dr. The applicants propose to remove their existing pier, which has reached the end of its usable lifespan, and replace it with a new pier design that is more centered on their property and thus heads "towards" the center of cove. This design improves the site and surrounding properties. Due to the nature of the lots in Herald Harbor (small and narrow) and those along this cove, encroachment into the setback is inevitable. The scope proposed in this application does not propose to extend past the neighboring pier's channelward encroachment at 700 Willow Trl. nor at 692 Riverside Dr.

Currently, the applicants have a pier with two main slip areas. One at a lift on the NE side of the pier and a slip off the side of the SW facing edge of the pier (see exhibit). Access to the waterway by boat landward of the existing platform is impossible and impractical due to the water depths. Therefore, viable, and navigable slip areas are located further channelward – both at this site and at neighboring properties. The proposed lift area on the NE side is to be located no further than 2 ft. from the property line extended on that side. This is the same distance that the current lift (see existing plan) is situated from this line. You will notice there is currently a platform in this proposed lift location. In effect, the same area used for a platform now will be used for a slip area. The proposed pier does not include a request for a platform replacement in the design. The applicants understand the need to utilize the small space inside the extension lines to safely secure their vessels versus for unnecessary platform area. Access to the lift slip along this side is to secure an 8 ft. wide beamed Sea Ray powerboat. A proposed 8 ft. clearance area - the same as the width of the beam of the applicant's boat is the distance between the proposed applicant's finger pier and the extension line to get access to the lift slip. This clearance area is more open at the channelward point than the current configuration. That area now measures approximately 2 ft. from the lift pile to the extension line. The proposal opens the area by 6 ft.

The proposed lift on the SW side is 19 ft. from the neighboring mooring piles at 700 Willow Trl. Currently that space is 22 ft. The ingress and egress to this channelward slip (the lift area) will be directly from the channel and bow in to the lift area. There should be no navigational impact to the access points for the neighboring property. The remainder of the proposed pier area (62 ft.) does not encroach into the 15 ft. setback area on the SW side. The proposed lift slip on the SW side of the pier is the only slip located on this side of the pier. Many piers contain two or more slips. The allowance per Maryland Department of the Environment's is four (4) main slips - all of which could be lift slips. This site contains two (2).

## The granting of the variance will not:

(a) Alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the lot is located

Most properties in Herald Harbor contain multiple narrow lots, a pattern seen in some of the older communities along the Severn River. Many along this creek have similar style piers with main pier stems, finger piers and moorings to allow for multiple slips at narrow property areas. This proposal is similar to other piers in the area and would not alter the essential character of the community of Herald Harbor.

(b) Substantially impair the appropriate use or development of adjacent property

The requested variance is for a max. encroachment of 12 ft. to the 15 ft. setback provisions of § 18-2-404(b) to install a finger pier and pilings as shown in the attached proposed plan. The proposed structures will not impede navigation for the neighbors and adjacent properties can continue to enjoy use of their pier facilities with this request without any disturbances.

(c) Reduce forest cover in the Limited Development and Resource Conservation areas of the Critical Area

This does not apply to this proposal.

(d) Be contrary to acceptable clearing and replanting practices required for development in the of the Critical Area or a Bog Protection Area; or be detrimental to the public welfare

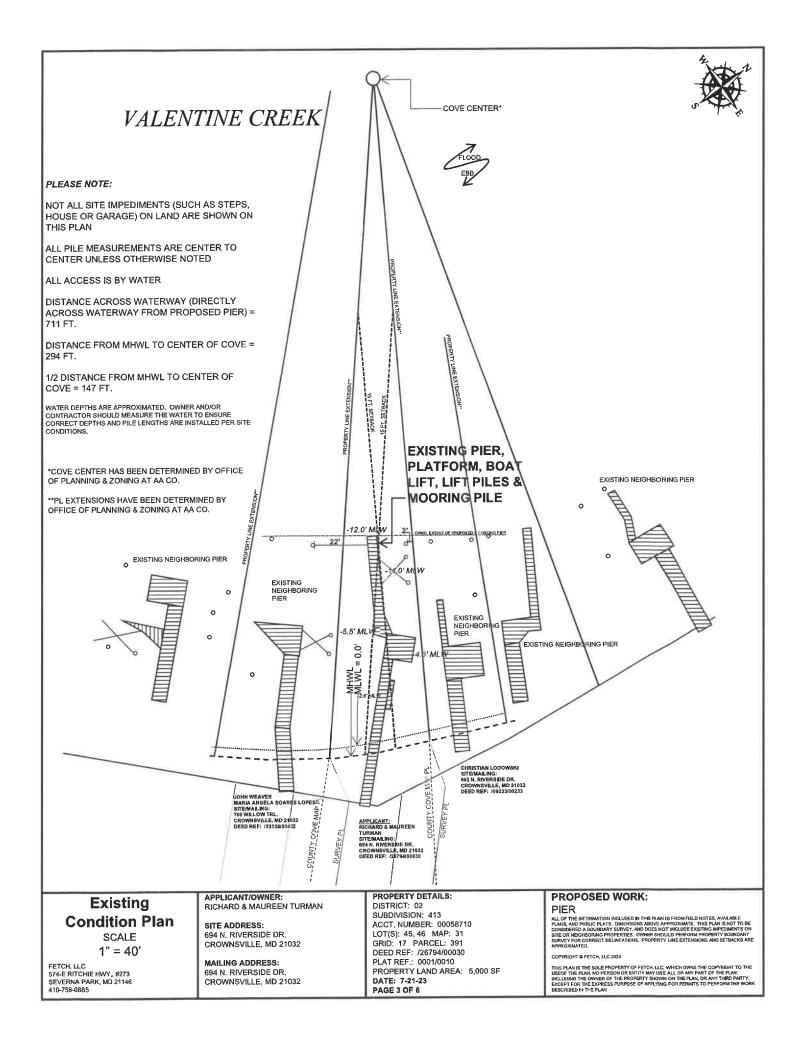
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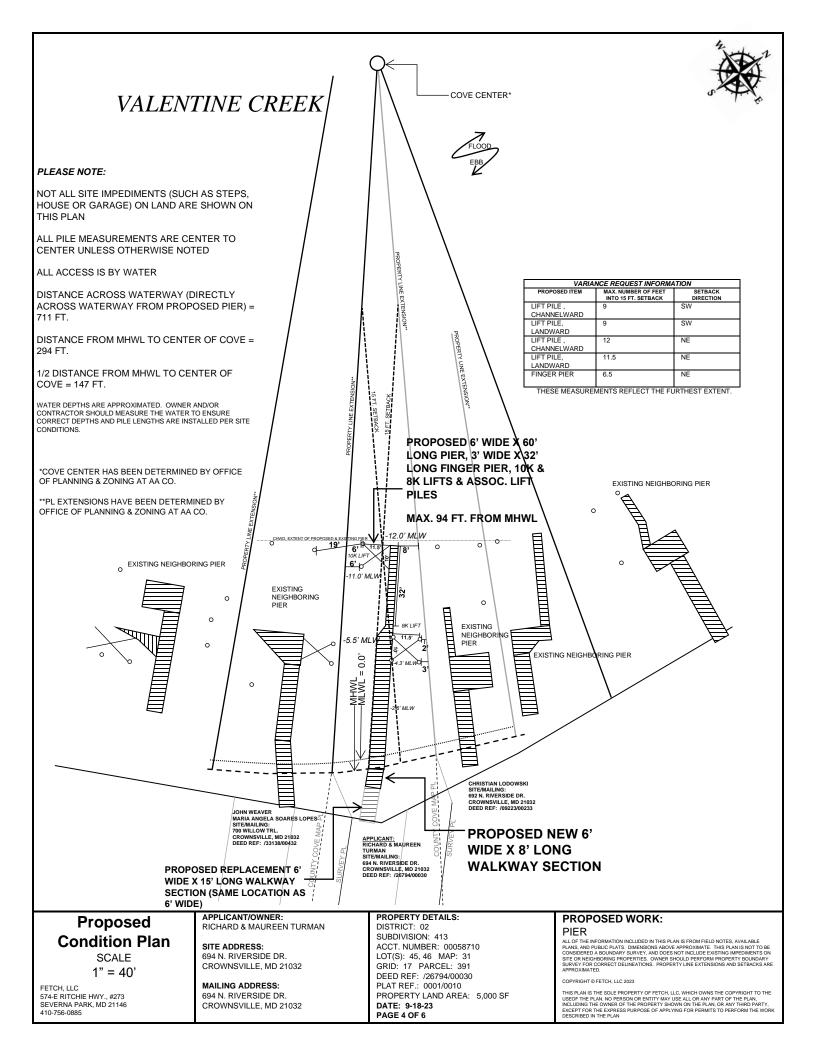
The proposal conforms with Maryland Department of the Environment (COMAR, Title 27) & Army Corp. of Engineers regulations and all appropriate state and federal permitting have been submitted.

It is our belief based on the usable property area that the proposed location of all structures is the minimum necessary to afford relief to applicant. We look forward to hearing from you upon acceptance of these explanations.

Thank you,

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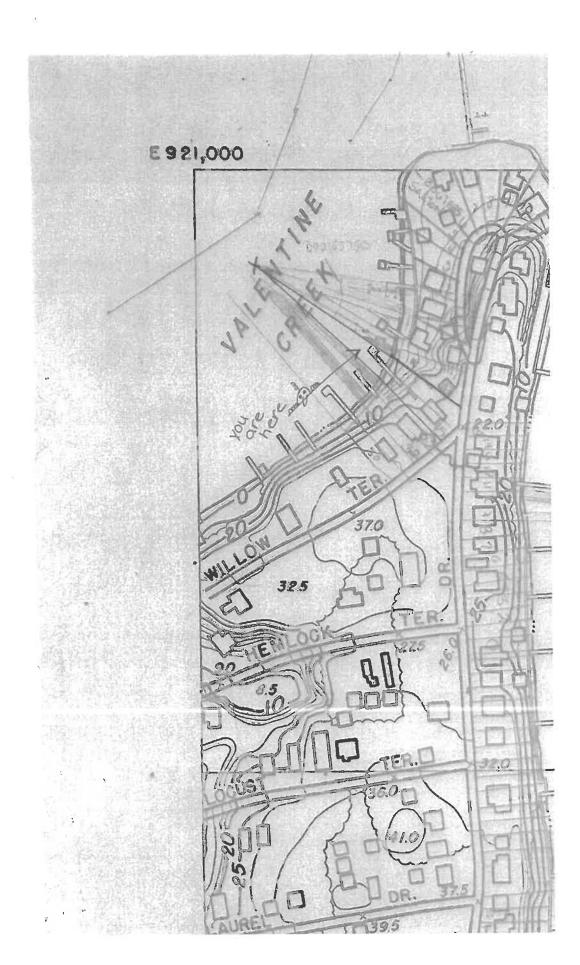




Exhibit – Turman Variance Application



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## MEMORANDUM

- TO: Sadé Medina, Zoning Applications Planning and Zoning Department, MS-6301
- FROM: Brian Chew, Program Manager Bureau of Environmental Health
- DATE: August 16, 2023
- RE: Richard & Maureen Turman 694 North Riverside Drive Crownsville, MD 21032

NUMBER: 2023-0135-V

SUBJECT: Variance/Special Exception/Rezoning

The Health Department has reviewed the above referenced variance to alloe a pier with less setbacks than required.

The Health Department has reviewed the on-site sewage disposal. The Health Department has determined that the proposed request does not adversly affect the on-site sewage disposal. The Health Department has no objection to the above referenced request.

If you have further questions or comments, please contact Brian Chew at 410-222-7413.

cc: Sterling Seay