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STATE OF MARYLAND CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS

March 19, 2024

Mr. Robert Konowal Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning 2664 Riva Road MS 6402 Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Grieb Variance Local case number 2023-0210-V Dear Mr. Konowal,

Thank you for providing information regarding the above-referenced variance application to disturb the Critical Area Buffer and steep slopes. This letter replaces our previous letter dated March 14, 2024. The grandfathered property (922 Arundel Dr, Arnold, MD 21012) is located entirely within the Critical Area on lands designated Limited Development Area (LDA) and Resource Conservation Area (RCA). Most of the property is located within the Buffer and the entire property is within Forest Interior Dwelling Bird Species (FIDS) habitat. The applicant is proposing to add a second story addition to an existing dwelling that is located mostly within the Buffer and partially within the required setback for steep slopes. Therefore, the applicant is requesting a variance to disturb the Buffer and steep slopes. No new lot coverage is proposed and no impacts to canopy coverage is proposed.

We recognize that per Anne Arundel County Code, Subtitle 4. Lot Coverage in the LDA and RCA, §17-8-402 (a), lot coverage for a grandfathered lot of this size is limited to 15% of the entire lot. The existing lot coverage on this property (10,182 sf) is within the 15% lot coverage limit.

Based on discussion with the County, we have no further comments on this variance request at this time. Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. Please include this letter in your file and submit it as part of the record for this variance. Also, please notify the Commission in writing the date the decision is made in this case. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 410-260-3479 or kathryn.hayden@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hayden

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