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Select Board Town of Richmond 203 Bridge St. Richmond, VT 05477

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Dear Select Board Members;

We are writing to request that our zoning fees paid for permit number 21-11 on parcel WI0036 at 36 Willis Farm Rd for the "barn" project be applied to a future permit for the same parcel.

We were aware that our zoning permit was set to expire in May of 2020 and were in communication with then Zoning Administrator, Suzanne Mantegna, about how to address this issue in March of last year. At that time, Suzanne advised us that the expiration of the permit was extended due to the Governor's State of Emergency and Act 92. Given that, we did not take any action to either start construction or argue our case that we had invested enough to demonstrate "a good faith intent to presently commence upon the permitted use." Unfortunately, the information Suzanne gave to us was inaccurate and the permit is now expired.

We are respectfully requesting that the zoning fees we paid in the amount of \$3,834.60 be applied to the new permit we will need to attain to begin construction.

Sincerely,

Robert and Joy Reap