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Federal Street Phoenix, LLC

PO Box 15372

Portland, ME 04112

Re: 1 Monument Street – CBL 016-A-003 – R-6 Residential Zone

To Whom It May Concern:

The City is in the process of reviewing a building permit application for a new single-family dwelling at 5 Monument Street, CBL 016-A-005, which abuts your above-referenced property. The plans and materials submitted with the application indicate that you intend to sell a portion of your land to the owners of 5 Monument Street, which they would use for their single-family development.

Once you transfer the land to the abutter, your land will be made even more non-conforming with regards to the City’s zoning dimensional requirements. Specifically, section 14-139 of the City of Portland Code of Ordinance (available on the City’s website or at the City Clerk’s office) requires that a minimum of 20% of a lot in the R-6 zone be maintained as “landscaped open space.” Your property currently has about 177 square feet of landscaped open space, or 8% of the lot. In selling land to the abutter, you would lose approximately 50 square feet of landscaped open space, thereby making your property even more non-conforming with regards to this requirement.

To resolve this issue and allow the permit review for 5 Monument Street to continue, you have provided a written agreement dated 7/7/17 (attached) stating that you will remove 50 square feet of paved area from your property and create new landscaped open space as a replacement.

Within 90 days of the date of this letter (by October 12, 2017), you must complete the actions set forth in the written agreement. If you do not, the City will pursue formal enforcement action to resolve the issue.

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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