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March 23, 2010

AJ Jones Skillfull Home Recreation 137 Preble Street Portland, ME 04101

Re: 137 Preble Street – 034 D004 – B-7 – outside display of goods

Dear Mr. Jones,

This letter is a follow up to our conversation from March 19, 2010 regarding your outside display of goods (play house, jungle gyms/swing sets) that your company sells.

Your retail business at 137 Preble Street is located in the B-7 Mixed Development District Zone. Section 14-299(i) of the ordinance states that "all uses should be operated within a fully enclosed structure, except for those customarily operated in the open air". Since retail is not a use that is "customarily operated in the open air," your property is in violation.

You have thirty days from the date of this letter to remove the goods that are displayed on the outside of the building and bring your property into compliance.

You have the right to appeal my decision. If you wish to exercise your right to appeal, you have thirty days from the date of this letter in which to appeal. If you should fail to do so, my decision is binding and not subject to appeal. Please contact this office for the necessary paperwork that is required to file an appeal.

Please feel free to call me at 874-8709 if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Ann B. Machado Zoning Specialist (207) 874-8709

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