# 74 Elm Street 74 Elm Street Portland, Maine 04101 (207) 874-1055

## Ingraham Volunteers

April 22, 1991

Bill Giroux Zoning Office City of Portland 389 Congress Street Portland, Maine 04101

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We are negotiating to buy the Whittier building, which is located at 743 Congress Street. It is in a B2 zone. May I have a letter from you stating that this use is consistent with the city's land use plan?

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Jane G. Morrison, M.S., L.S.W.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

P. SAMUEL HOFFSES, CHIEF INSPECTION SERVICES DIVISION

April 29, 1991

Ms. Jane G. Morrison Executive Director Ingraham Volunteers 74 Elm Street Portland, ME 04101

Dear Ms. Morrison,

This is in response to your letter of April 22, 1991 requesting my opinion as to whether your proposal is consistent with the city's land use plan. Handicapped family units are permitted in the B-2 zone which the property is located. This use appears to meet the definition of handicapped family

743 Congress

However, please be aware that this is an advisory opinion based on your letter. A copy of the grant application and other information along with an application for change of use is necessary for a final determination to be made. Final approval is granted when a permit is issued.

Please call if there are any further questions.

Sincerely,

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William D. Giroux Zoning Administrator

cc: Joseph Gray, Director, Planning & Urban Development
P. Samuel Hoffses, Chief of Inspection Services
Mark Adelson, Planning & Urban Development
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